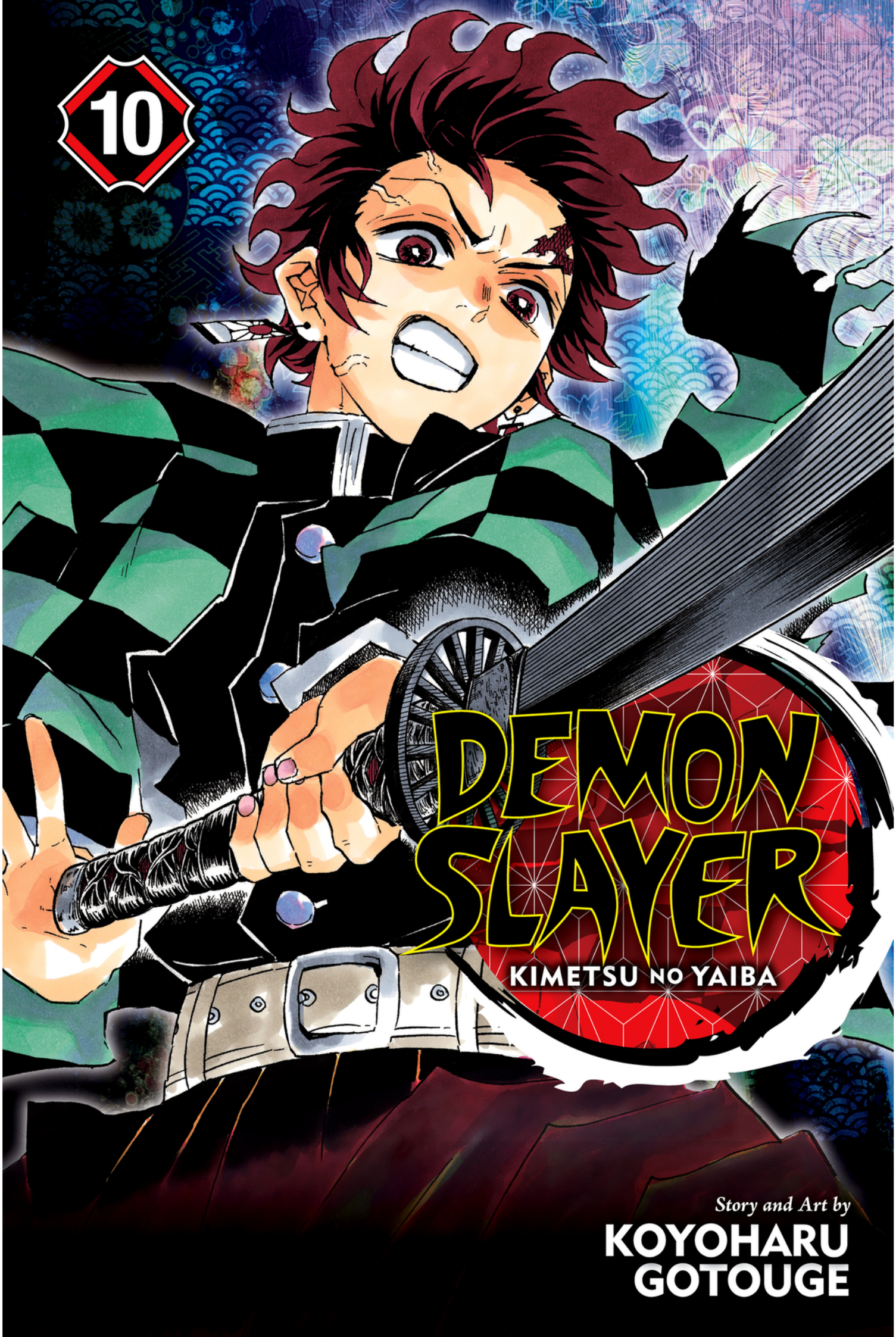

10
DEMON SLAYER
KIMETSU NO YAIBA
Story and Art by
KOYOHARU GOTOUGE

DEMON SLAYER:
KIMETSU NO YAIBA
VOLUME 10
Shonen Jump Edition

Story and Art by
KOYOHARU GOTOUGE

KIMETSU NO YAIBA
© 2016 by Koyoharu Gotouge
All rights reserved. First published in Japan in 2016 by SHUEISHA Inc., Tokyo. English translation rights arranged by SHUEISHA Inc.

TRANSLATION John Werry
ENGLISH ADAPTATION Stan!
TOUCH-UP ART & LETTERING John Hunt
DESIGN Jimmy Presler
EDITOR Mike Montesa

The stories, characters and incidents mentioned in this publication are entirely fictional.

No portion of this book may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means without written permission from the copyright holders.

Printed in the U.S.A.

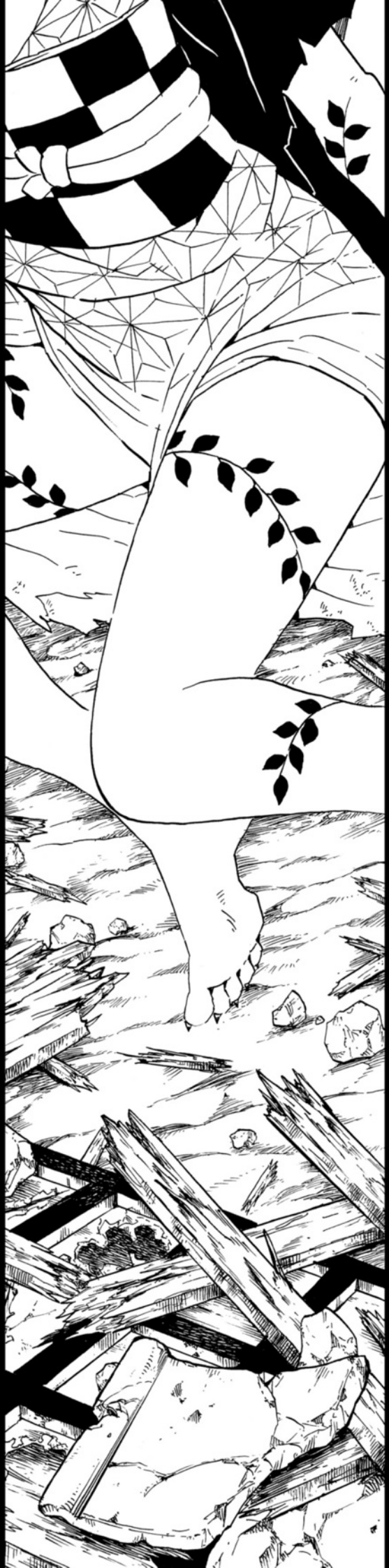
Published by VIZ Media, LLC
P.O. Box 77010
San Francisco, CA 94107

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
First printing, January 2020

PARENTAL ADVISORY
DEMON SLAYER: KIMETSU NO YAIBA is rated T for Teen and recommended for ages 13 and up. This volume contains realistic and fantasy violence.

viz.com

shonenjump.com



DEMON SLAYER

KIMETSU NO YAIBA

10

HUMAN AND DEMON

KOYOHARU GOTOUGE

KOYOHARU GOTOUGE

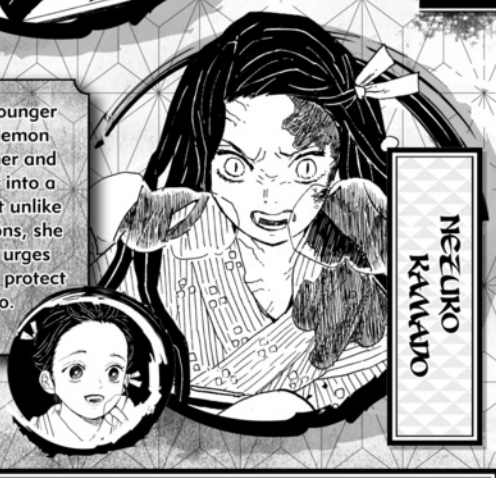
I'm Gotouge. Here's volume 10. Thank you very much to everyone who cheers for me and helps out. I'm grateful from the bottom of my heart for the many letters and presents. You should absolutely be proud to say, "I'm the one who helped this artist rise up!" It might be fun to snort triumphantly and thrust out your chest too. For the readers, I will continue to raise my combat abilities to attack and defend at will, and work hard!

CHARACTERS

TANJIRO KAMADO

A kind boy who saved his sister and now aims to avenge his family. He can smell the scent of demons and an opponent's weakness.

NEZUKO KAMADO



Tanjiro's younger sister. A demon attacked her and turned her into a demon. But unlike other demons, she fights her urges and tries to protect Tanjiro.

KYOJURO RENGOKU

A Hashira in the Demon Slayer Corps. He died fighting the upper-rank demon Akaza.

ZENITSU AGATSUMA

He went through Final Selection at the same time as Tanjiro. He's usually cowardly, but when he falls asleep, his true power comes out.

INOSUKE HASHIBIRA

He also went through Final Selection at the same time as Tanjiro. He wears the pelt of a wild boar and is very belligerent.

MUZAN KIBUTSUJI

Kibutsuji turned Nezuko into a demon. He is Tanjiro's enemy and hides his nature in order to live among human beings.

AKAZA

A ninja and one of Uzui's wives. She was captured by Daki while undercover in the entertainment district.

KANAO

A ninja and one of Uzui's wives. Like Makio, she was captured by Daki.

DAKI: UPPER-RANK 6

One of the Twelve Kizuki. For many years she has been in the Hanamachi district disguised as an *oiran*, a top-level courtesan. She uses her demonic *obi* kimono belt to capture people and save them to be eaten later.

TENGEN UZUI

The Sound Hashira in the Demon Slayer Corps and a former ninja with a flashy style. Uzui sneaks Tanjiro and the other demon slayers into the Hanamachi district.

STORY

In Taisho-era Japan, young Tanjiro makes a living selling charcoal. One day, demons kill his family and turn his younger sister Nezuko into a demon. Tanjiro and Nezuko set out to find a way to return Nezuko to human form and defeat Kibutsuji, the demon who killed their family!

After joining the Demon Slayer Corps, Tanjiro meets Tamayo and Yushiro—demons who oppose Kibutsuji—who provide a clue to how Nezuko may be turned back into a human. On a new mission, Tanjiro boards a steam train and joins up with Rengoku, the Flame Hashira. A lower-rank demon attacks the train, but they are able to protect the passengers and defeat the demon, but Rengoku is killed in the process.
To overcome Rengoku's death, Tanjiro and others take on a new mission to investigate reports of a demon in the Hanamachi entertainment district in town.

CONTENTS

Chapter 80
VALUE
7

Chapter 81
LAYERED MEMORIES
27

Chapter 82
HUMAN AND DEMON
47

Chapter 83
TRANSFORMATION
67

Chapter 84
WHAT IS IMPORTANT
87

Chapter 85
WEEPING
107

Chapter 86
GYUTARO
127

Chapter 87
GATHERING
147

Chapter 88
HOW TO DEFEAT THEM
171

Bonus Chapter
INOSUKE'S FAIRY TALE
191

DEMON SLAYER
KIMETSU NO YAIBA

10

HUMAN AND DEMON

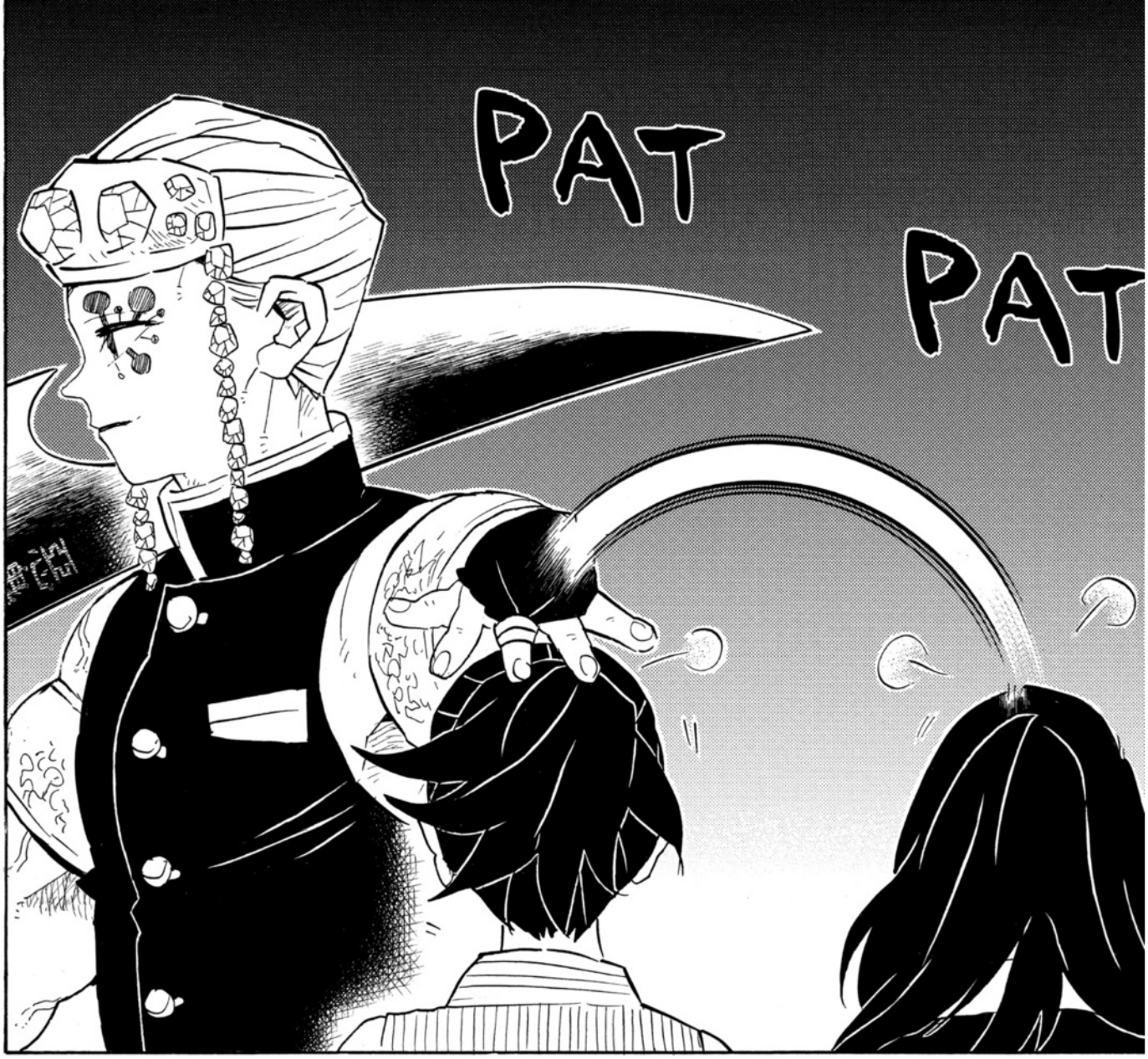
CHAPTER 80: VALUE

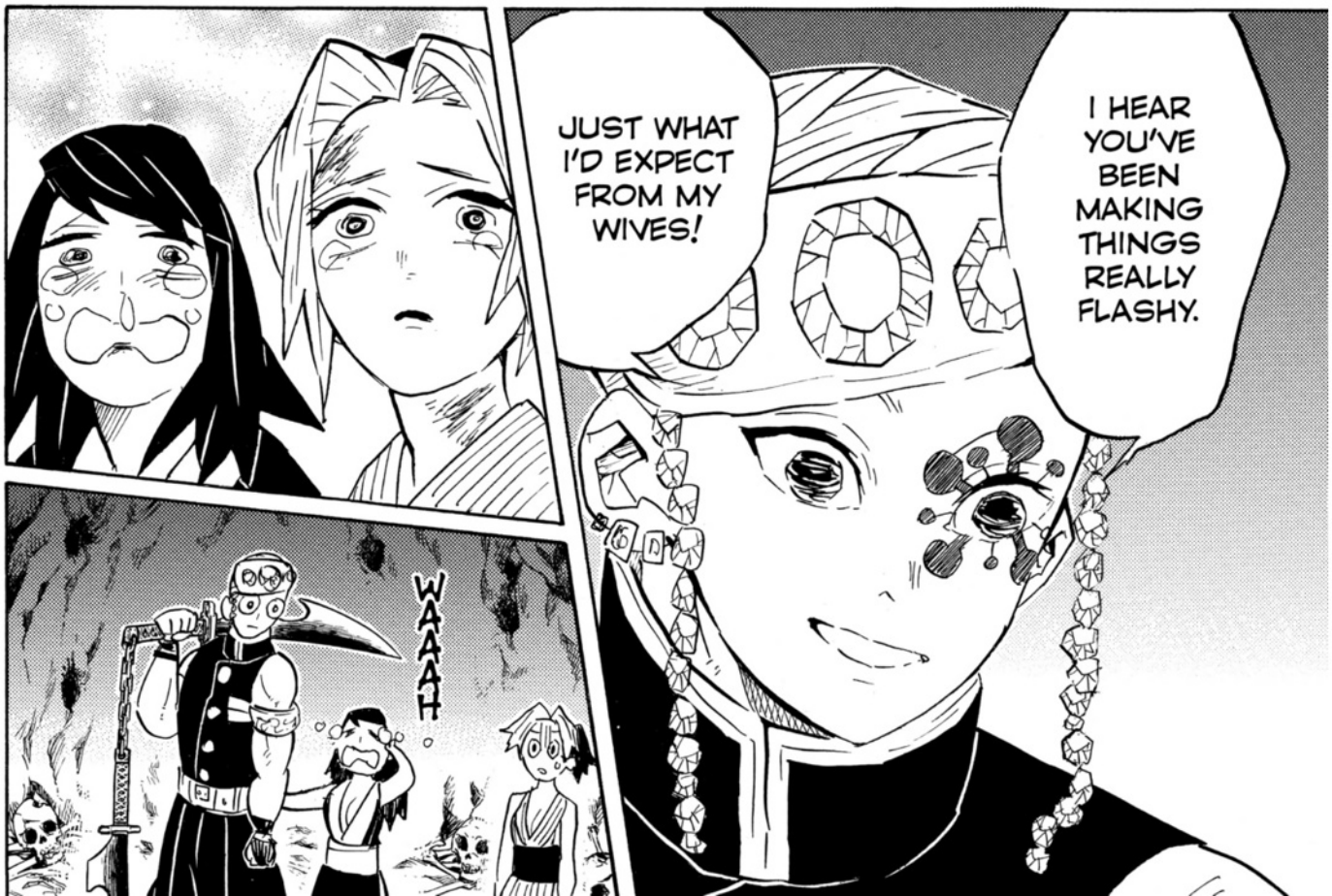
IT WASN'T ALWAYS LIKE THIS.
I WASN'T AFRAID TO DIE.
...BECAUSE I WAS A SHINOBI— A NINJA. ACTUALLY...
...I WAS A KUNOI-CHI— A FEMALE NINJA....
...AND I'D NEVER BE AS STRONG AS A MALE SHINOBI.
SO WE'RE TAUGHT TO PULL BACK WHEN OUR LIVES ARE THREAT-ENED.
THINK ABOUT YOUR LIVES FIRST. YOU ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE MISSION.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT YOU HAVE TO LEAVE BEHIND, JUST BE SURE YOU RETURN TO ME.
THAT MAY SOUND STRANGE GIVEN YOUR PROFES-SION, BUT THAT'S HOW I WANT IT.

I DECIDE WHO SHINES BRIGHTEST AND TAKES PRIORITY.
YOU THREE COME FIRST...
...THEN RELIABLE ASSIS-TANTS...
...AND THEN ME.

...?
SINCE I'M THE ONE IN THE DEMON SLAY-ER CORPS, I'LL PROTECT THE BORING, ORDINARY PEOPLE.
I MAY BE THE FLASHIEST, BUT YOU'RE MOST IMPORTANT TO ME, SO DON'T GET YOURSELVES KILLED.

IS THAT REALLY HOW HE WANTS IT?
IF I PRIORITIZE MY OWN LIFE, HOW WELL CAN I REALLY DO MY JOB? IT MAKES NO SENSE.
AFTER ALL, THAT'S HOW TENGEN WANTS IT.
I THINK IT'S ALL RIGHT.
MOST PEOPLE LIVE THAT WAY. I'M SURE IT'S FINE.
...AND AVOIDING DEADLY DANGER AREN'T BAD THINGS.
WANT-ING TO LIVE...


PAT
PAT


I HEAR YOU'VE BEEN MAKING THINGS REALLY FLASHY.
JUST WHAT I'D EXPECT FROM MY WIVES!
WAAAH

THOSE WORM-BELT THINGS WENT DOWN THESE HOLES AND ESCAPED!
HEY! YOU! GOD OF FESTIVALS!
SHOW ME SOME RESPECT, THEN WE'LL TALK!
ZIP IT! THEY SAVED THE PEOPLE WHO WERE CAPTURED! THEY DID GREAT! DON'T QUESTION ME!
OH, WE'RE GOING AFTER THEM! FOLLOW ME! FAST!
TENGEN, THINGS WILL GET WORSE IF WE DON'T GO AFTER THEM!

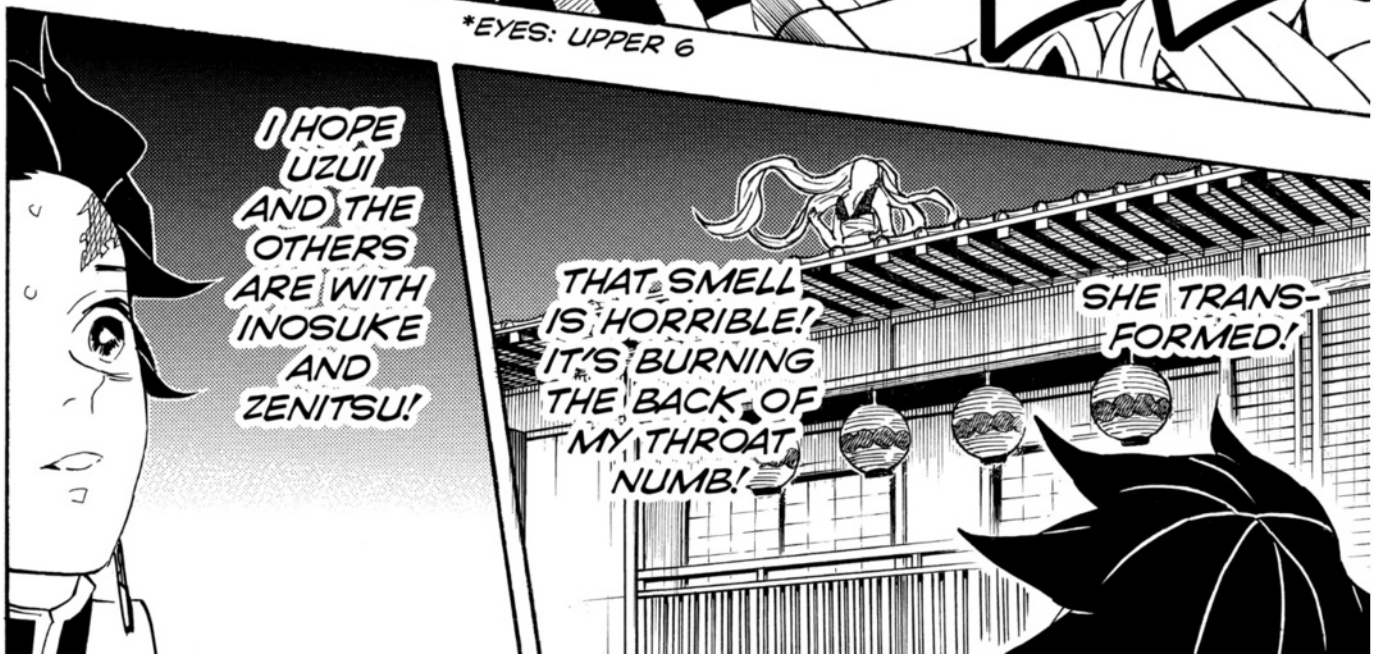
OUTTA THE WAY! OUTTA THE WAY! UZUI'S COMIN' THROUGH!
WHOOSH
WA HA HA HA!
YEOW! HE'S FAST!

WHIP
WHIP
TMP
TMP

FWOOSH
FWOOSH
THE FRAGMENTS ARE RETURNING TO HER BODY!
ARE THE OBI ATTACKING HER...? NO...!
GRAH

SWISH
SHE DIS-APPEARED ...
I KNEW IT! A HASHIRA HAS FINALLY COME!

SHIN
HIS LORD-SHIP WILL BE SO PLEASED!
*EYES: UPPER 6


I HOPE UZUI AND THE OTHERS ARE WITH INOSUKE AND ZENITSU!
THAT SMELL IS HORRIBLE! IT'S BURNING THE BACK OF MY THROAT NUMB!
SHE TRANS-FORMED!

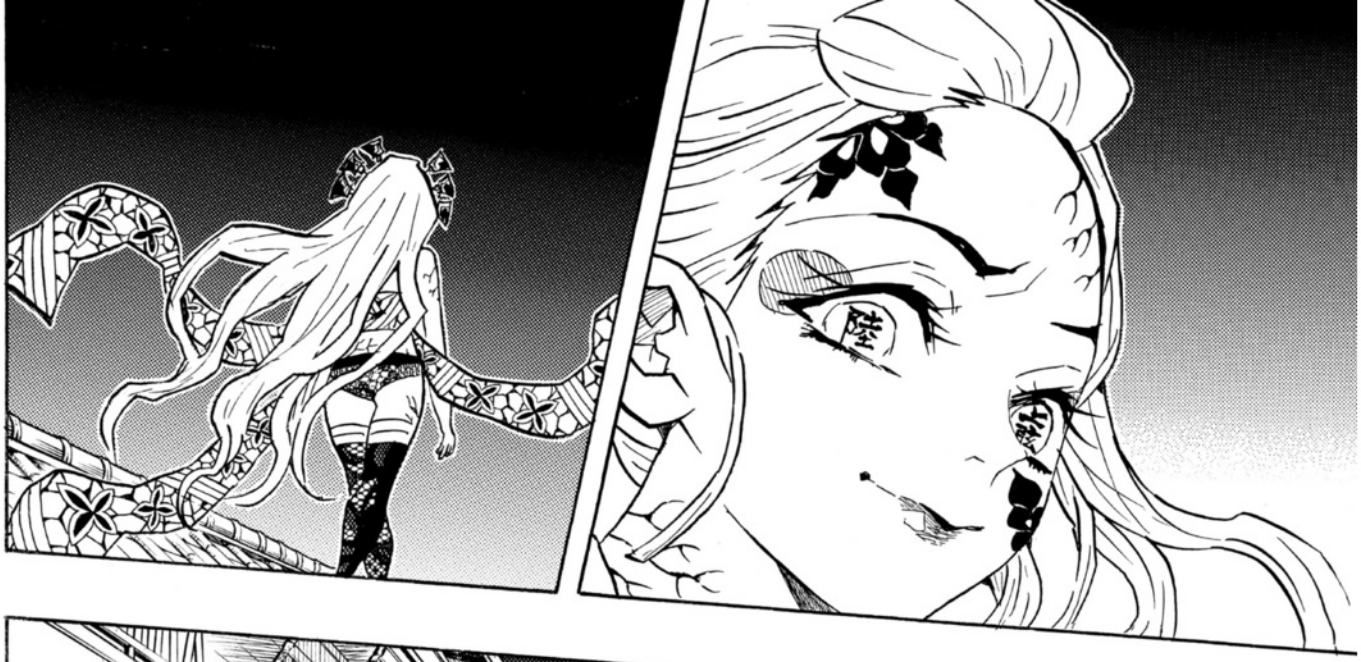
!
HEY! WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!
DON'T FIGHT IN FRONT OF MY SHOP!
OH, NO! BYSTAND-ERS!
YOU'RE SAFER INSIDE!
NO! STAY AWAY!
HOW RUDE!
HMPH!

AAAAGH!
YAAGH!
KAN

WHA...
?!
YAAAH!

ヤバイ

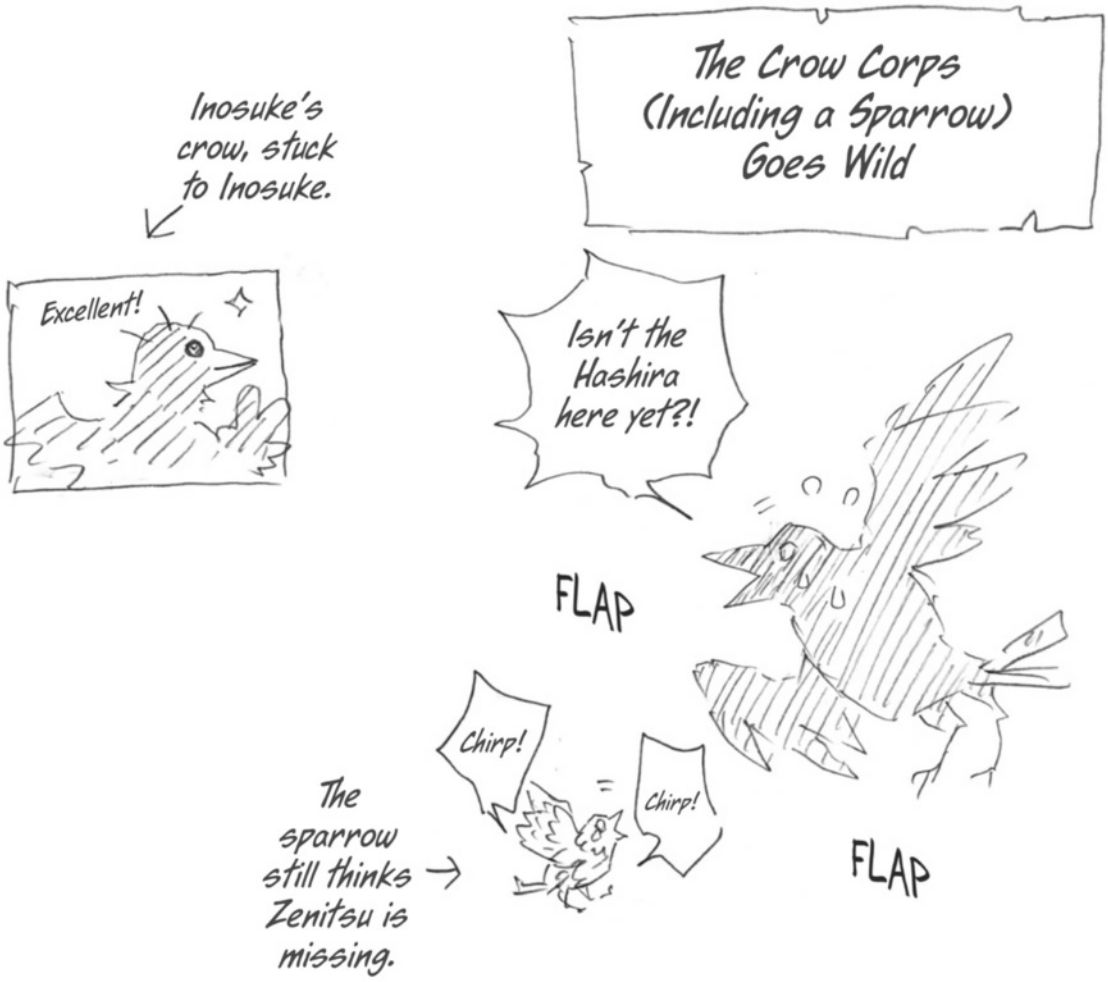
GYAAAH!
HIRO!
OH NOOO!
YAAIIII!
NO...
NO!
I CAN HELP YOU. TIE A TOURNIQUET ON YOUR ARM.
STAY CALM.
...
SPT
PLP



STOP!
I WON'T LET YOU...
...GET AWAY WITH THIS!

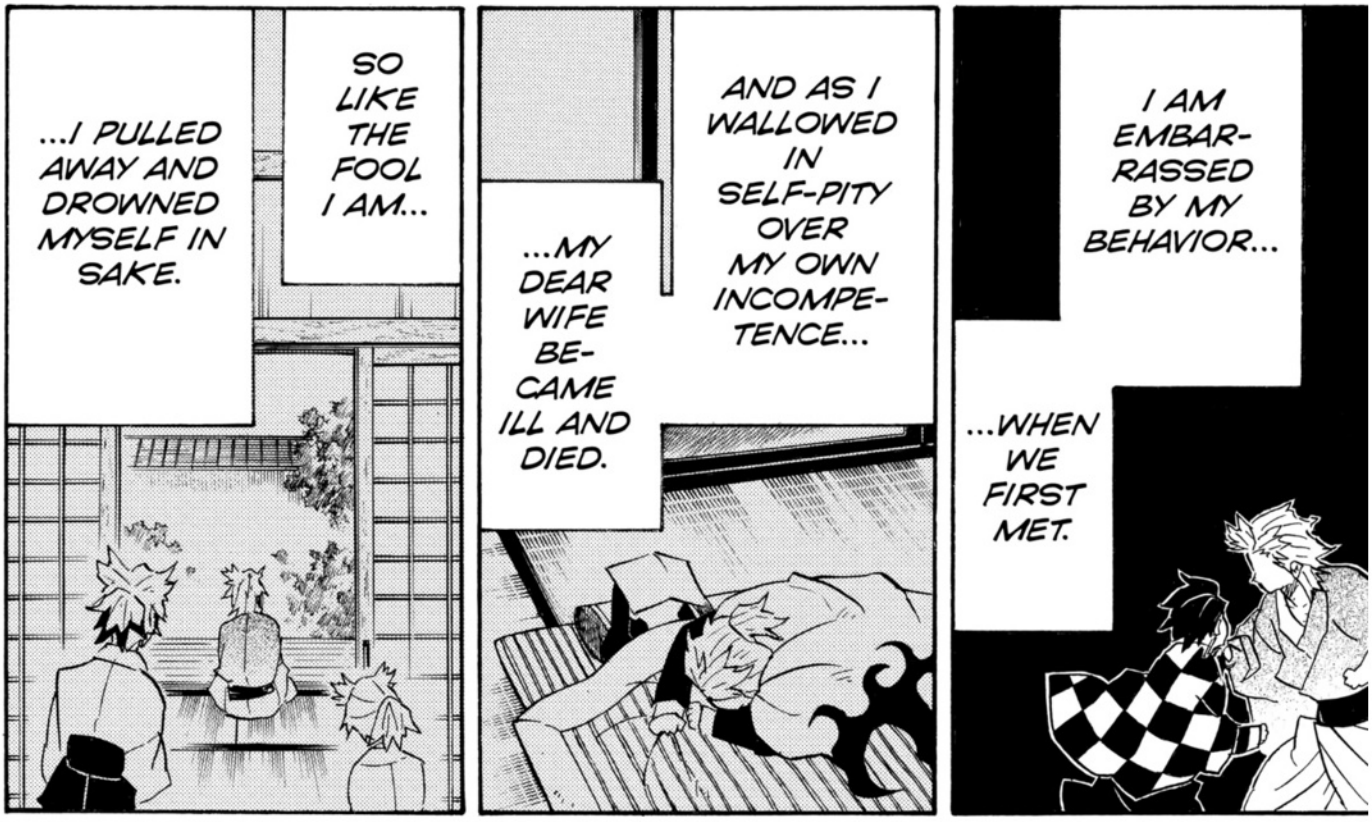
WHAT?
ARE YOU STILL TALKING? THAT'S ENOUGH OUT OF YOU, YOU UGLY THING!
AN UGLY HUMAN'S LIFE HAS NO VALUE.
YOU'LL GET ALONG WELL WITH THE OTHER ROTTING CORPSES.

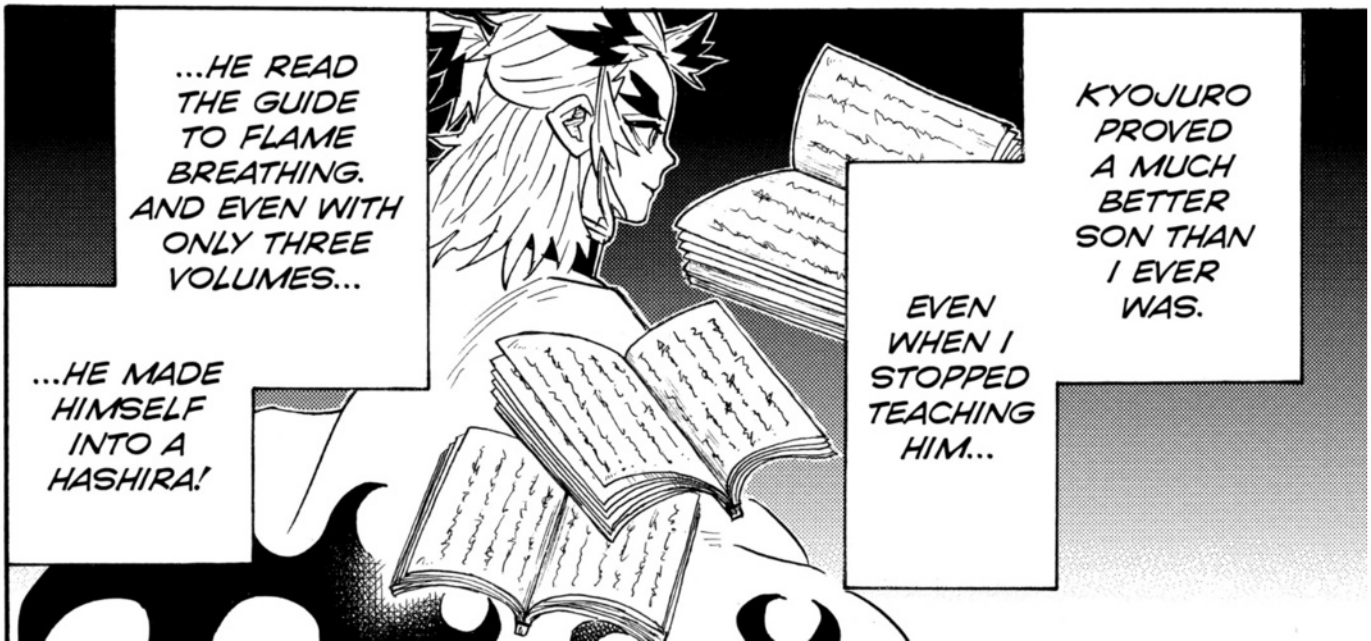
BOMP
KRIK
BOMP
BOMP
スーガ
FOR PITY'S SAKE, STAY INSIDE!
PLEASE! SOME-ONE HELP!
OH HIRO!
HIRO!
BOMP
BOMP

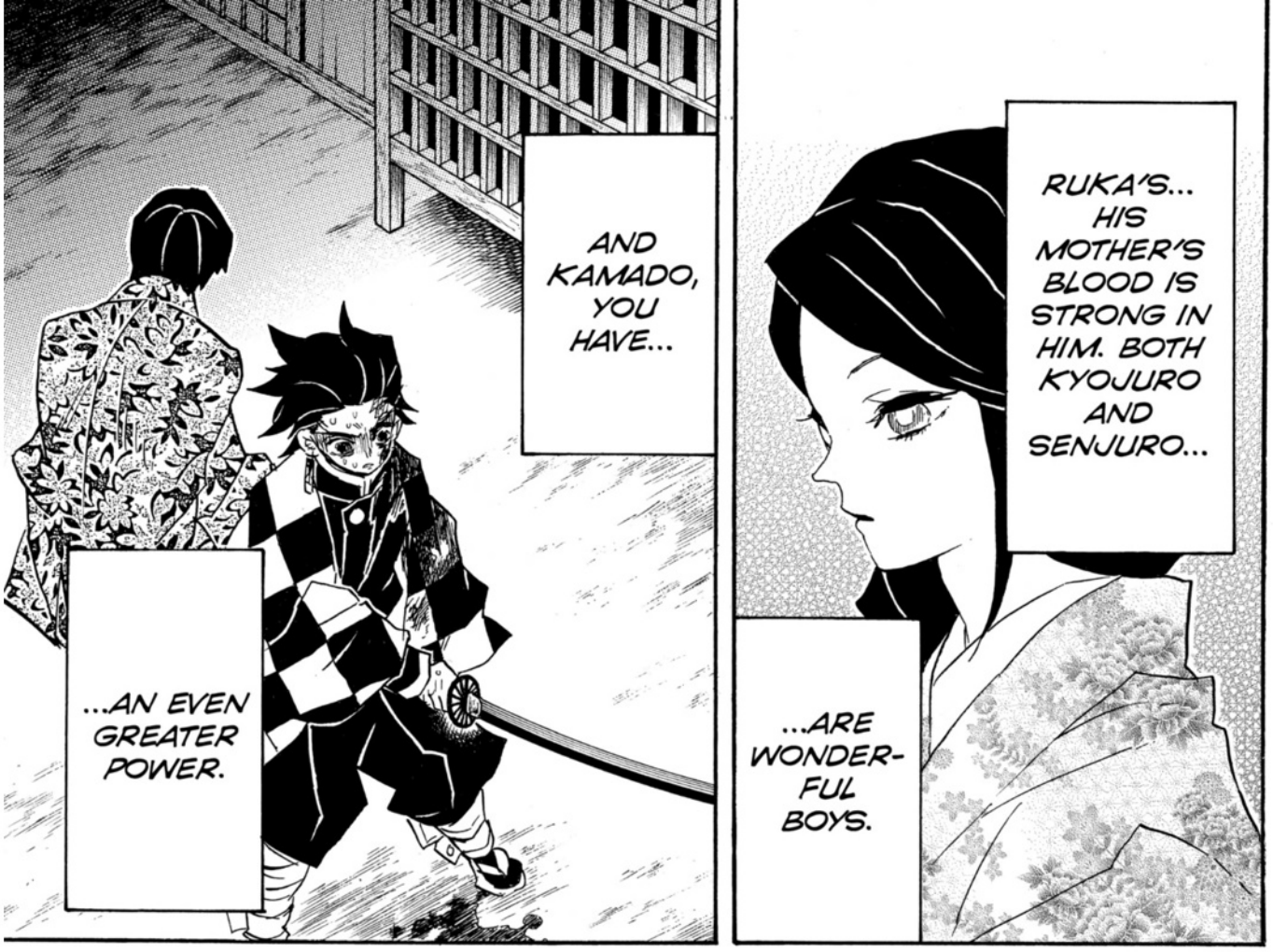

The Crow Corps (Including a Sparrow) Goes Wild
Inosuke's crow, stuck to Inosuke.
Excellent!
Isn't the Hashira here yet?!
FLAP
Chirp!
Chirp!
FLAP
The sparrow still thinks Zenitsu is missing.

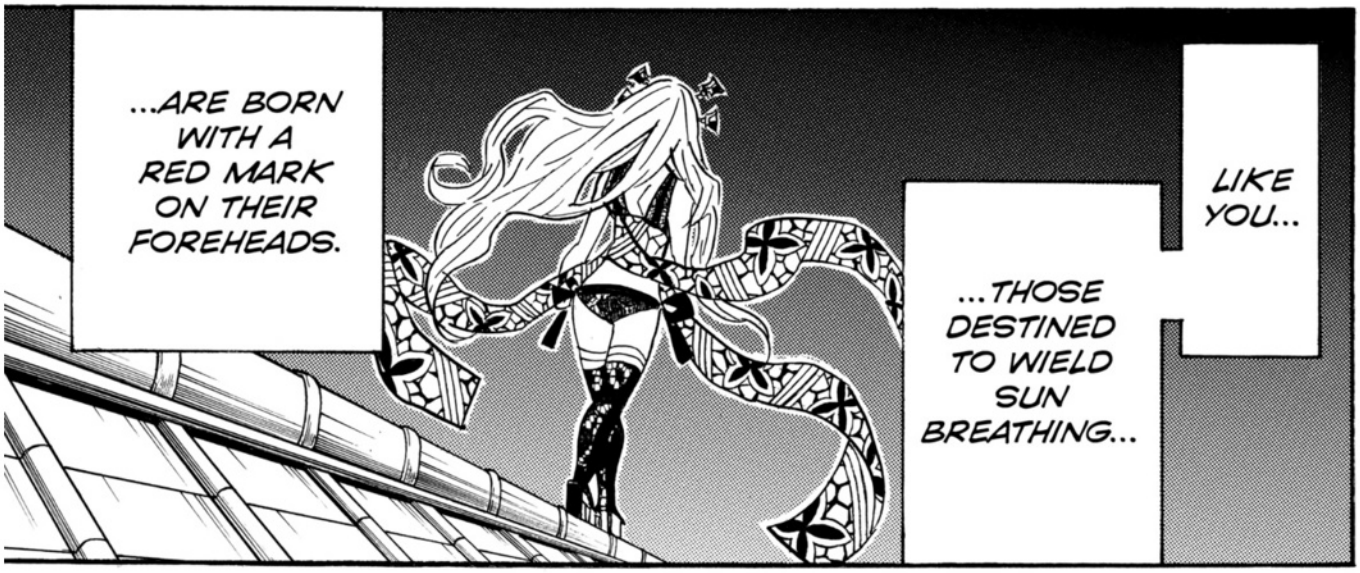
CHAPTER 81: LAYERED MEMORIES

THAT BOY HAS GROWN SO MUCH.
I SEE THAT YOU AND SENJURO HAVE BEEN CORRESPOND-ING FOR AT LEAST FOUR MONTHS.
THANK YOU FOR MOURNING KYOJURO.

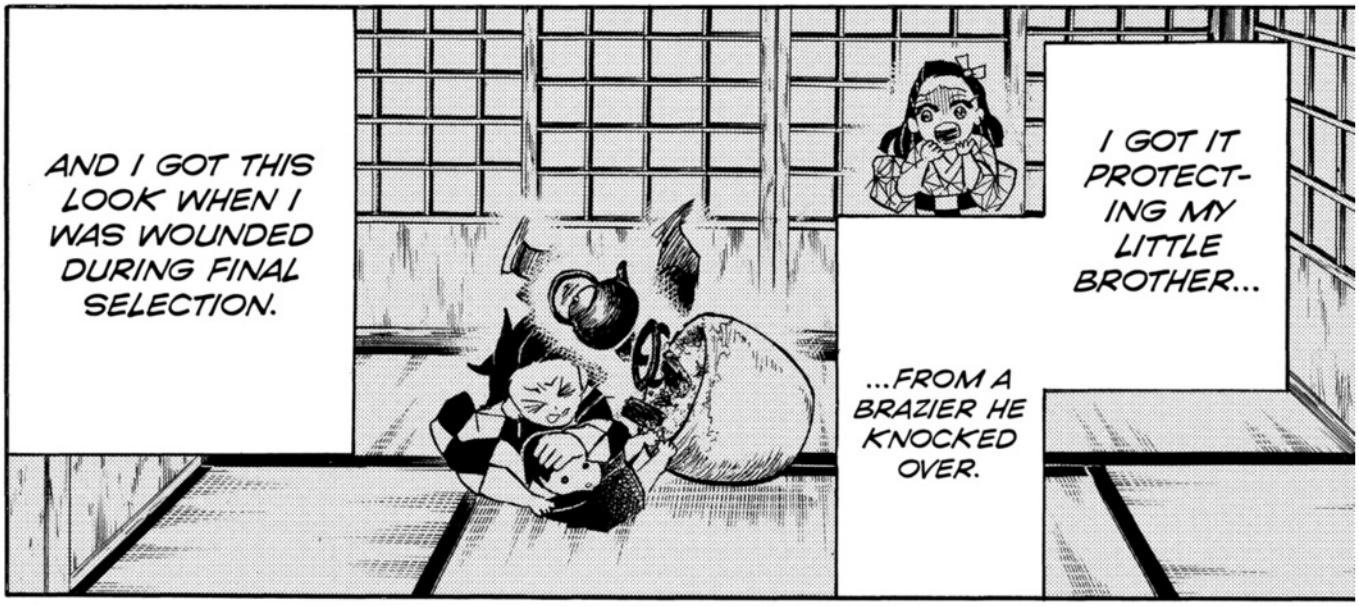

...I PULLED AWAY AND DROWNED MYSELF IN SAKE.
SO LIKE THE FOOL I AM...
...MY DEAR WIFE BE-CAME ILL AND DIED.
AND AS I WALLOWED IN SELF-PITY OVER MY OWN INCOMPE-TENCE...
I AM EMBAR-RASSED BY MY BEHAVIOR...
...WHEN WE FIRST MET.

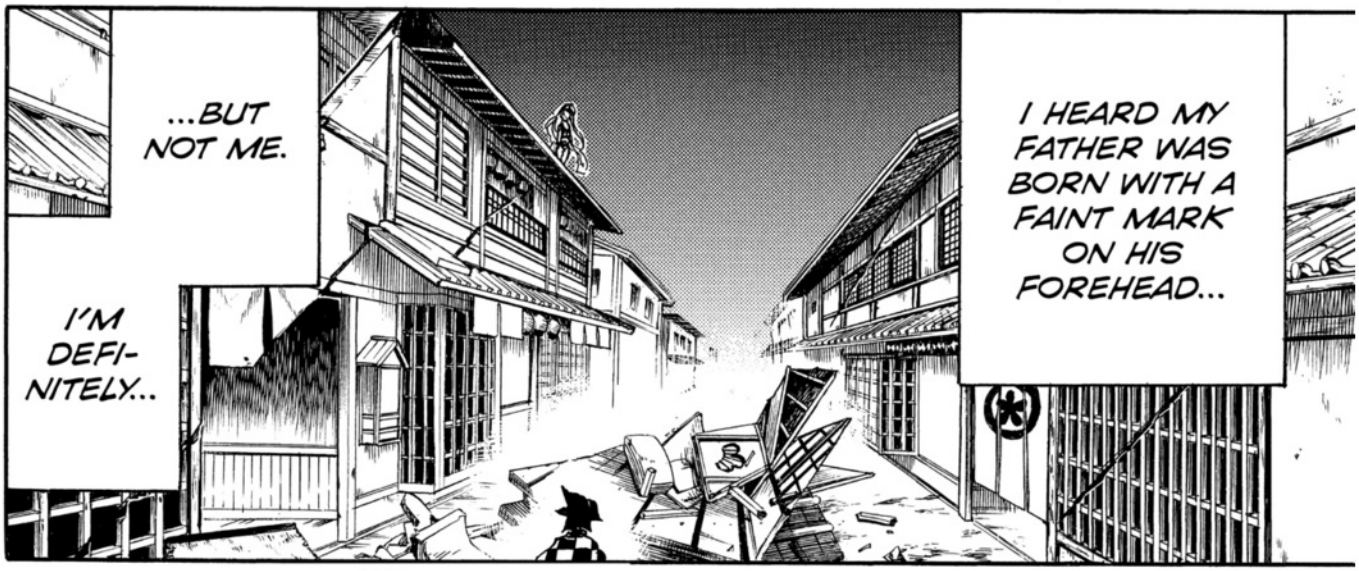

...HE READ THE GUIDE TO FLAME BREATHING. AND EVEN WITH ONLY THREE VOLUMES...
...HE MADE HIMSELF INTO A HASHIRA!
EVEN WHEN I STOPPED TEACHING HIM...
KYOJURO PROVED A MUCH BETTER SON THAN I EVER WAS.


AND KAMADO, YOU HAVE...
...AN EVEN GREATER POWER.
RUKA'S... HIS MOTHER'S BLOOD IS STRONG IN HIM. BOTH KYOJURO AND SENJURO...
...ARE WONDER-FUL BOYS.


...ARE BORN WITH A RED MARK ON THEIR FOREHEADS.
...THOSE DESTINED TO WIELD SUN BREATHING...
LIKE YOU...

...I WASN'T BORN WITH THIS MARK.
NO.
SHIN-JURO...
SO I'M CERTAIN THAT YOU...


I GOT IT PROTECTING MY LITTLE BROTHER...
...FROM A BRAZIER HE KNOCKED OVER.
AND I GOT THIS LOOK WHEN I WAS WOUNDED DURING FINAL SELECTION.


I HEARD MY FATHER WAS BORN WITH A FAINT MARK ON HIS FOREHEAD...
...BUT NOT ME.
I'M DEFINITELY...

...NOT A CHOSEN ONE.
BUT ...
...EVEN IF...
...I DON'T HAVE THE POWERS OF A CHOSEN ONE...
BD MP
BD MP
BD MP

...THERE ARE TIMES IN LIFE WHEN YOU SIMPLY...
...CAN'T BACK DOWN!
PFF
MONSTERS WHO TAKE LIFE WITHOUT HESITATION, REMORSE OR REGRET.
TMP
BECAUSE THERE ARE MONSTERS IN THIS WORLD. MONSTERS WITH NO SOULS.
THEIR AGGRESSION...
YAK

...IS SOME-THING I CAN'T FORGIVE!

陸
七弦
TWAK
HOO
HUPWH
P

A LIFE THAT'S LOST CAN NEVER RETURN.
IT'S GONE FOREVER.

SHRIP
A DEMON'S BODY...
...ISN'T MADE OF HUMAN FLESH.
WHY DO YOU STEAL PEOPLES' LIVES?
...!
WHY DO YOU RUIN THEM?
THESE WORDS ...
I'VE HEARD THEM SOME-WHERE.

WHAT IS IT THAT MAKES LIFE INTER-ESTING?
WHAT DO YOU THINK LIFE IS?
WHO IS THAT?
I DON'T KNOW HIM.

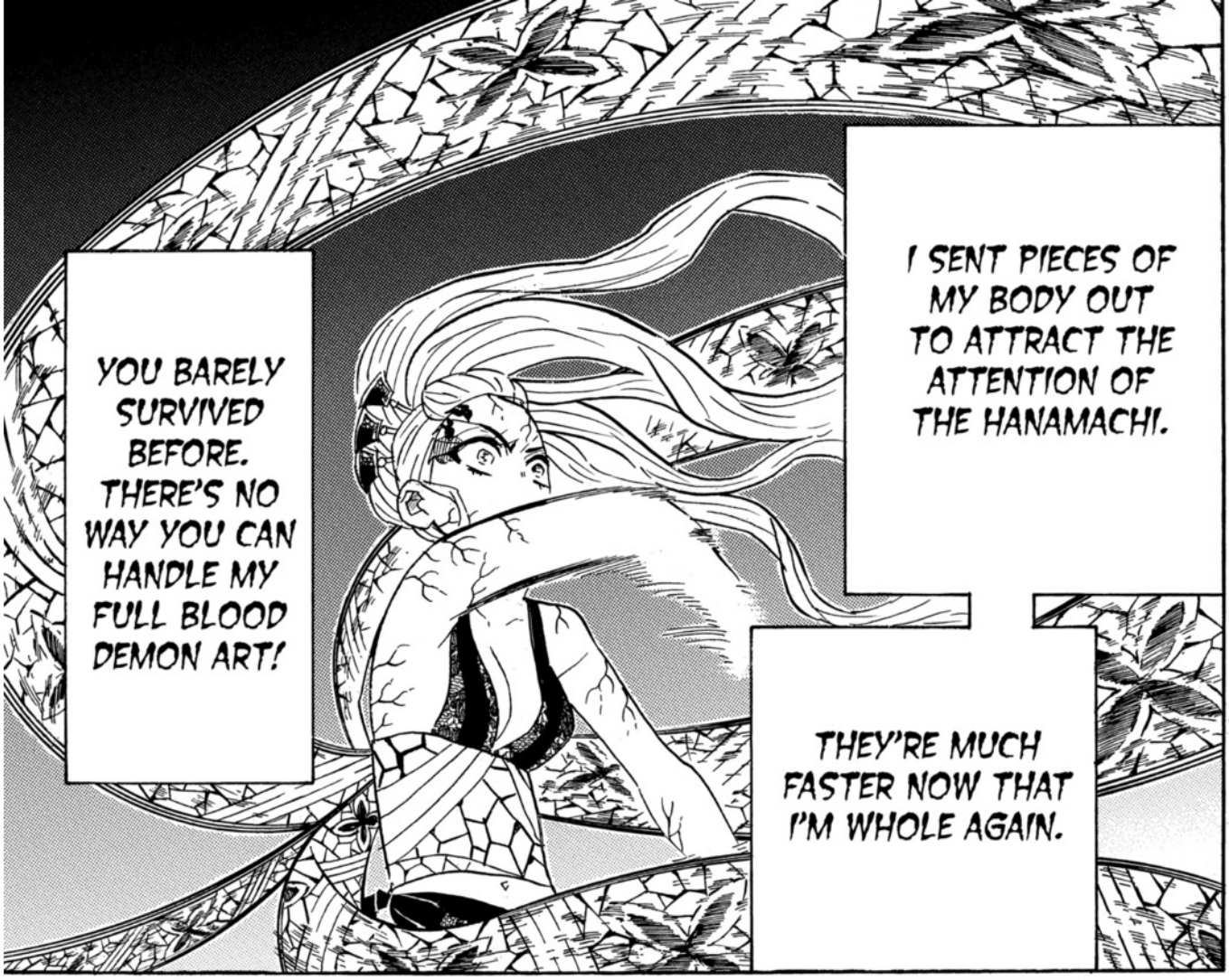
DON'T YOU SEE?
HOW COULD YOU FORGET?
THIS ISN'T ME. THESE AREN'T MY MEMORIES.
THEY'RE IN MY BLOOD.
MEMORIES FROM LORD MUZAN'S BLOOD!
EVEN YOU WERE ONCE HUMAN...
... WEREN'T YOU?
SURELY YOU STRUGGLED AGAINST PAIN AND SUFFERING. YOU MUST HAVE SHED TEARS.
HAHA

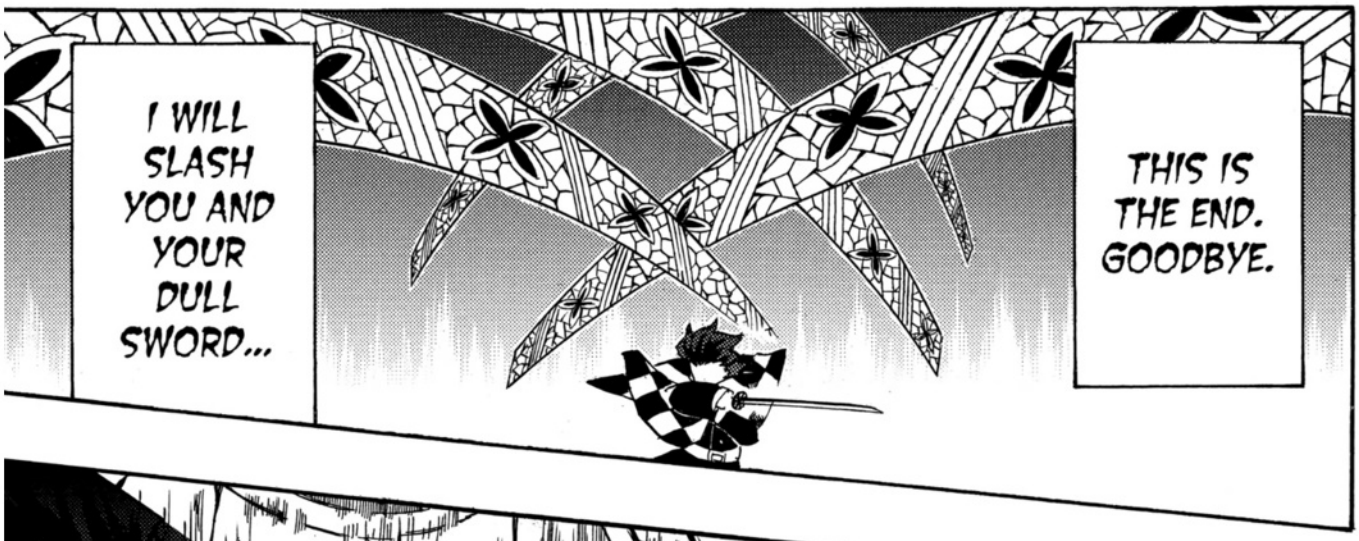
BLAH, BLAH, BLAH... DON'T YOU EVER STOP YOUR PRATTLING?
I DON'T REMEMBER SUCH THINGS. THE PAST IS PAST.
I'M A DEMON NOW, THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS.
WE DON'T GET OLD...
WE DON'T NEED MONEY TO EAT.
WE DON'T GET SICK...
...AND WE NEVER DIE.
WE NEVER LOSE ANY-THING!

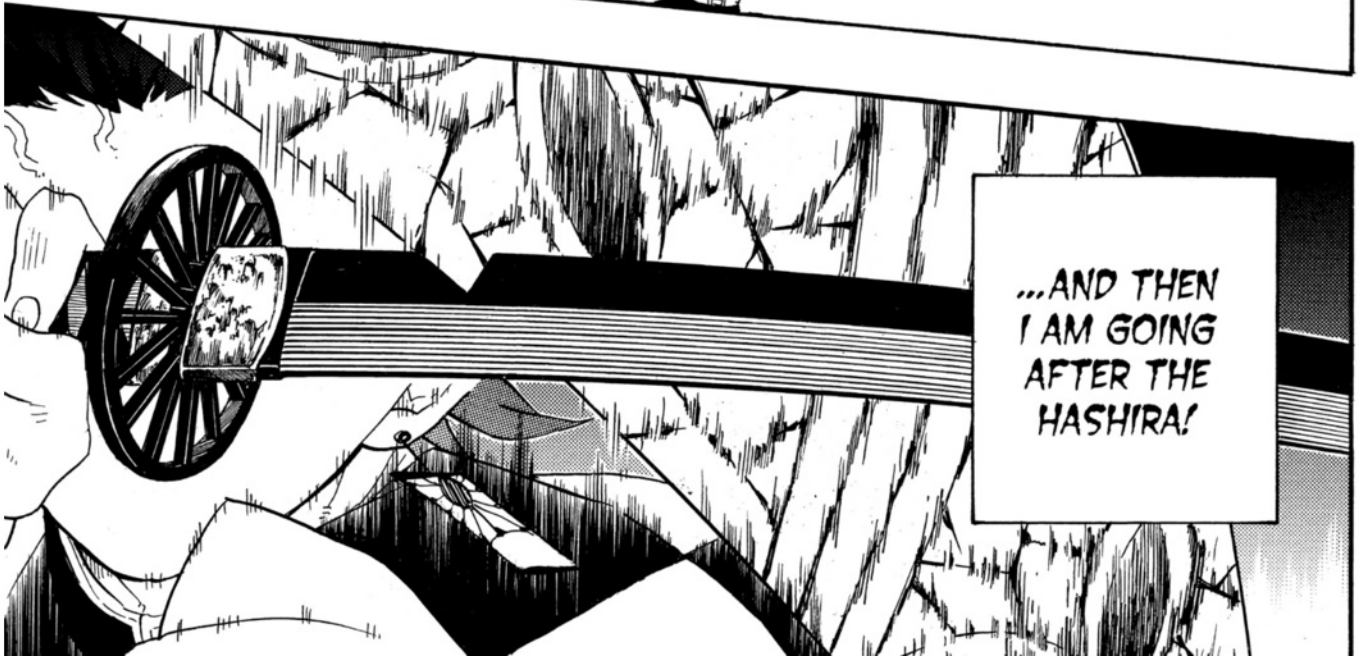
AND WE'RE STRONG! DEMONS CAN DO ANYTHING WE WANT!
WE NEVER FADE. WE'RE ETERNALLY YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL.

BUT I'VE HEARD ENOUGH.
SO YOU SAY.

BLOOD DEMON ART
EIGHT-LAYERED OBI SLASH!
YOU CAN'T STOP ME, YOU FOOL!
THIS WEB LEAVES YOU NO ESCAPE!


I SENT PIECES OF MY BODY OUT TO ATTRACT THE ATTENTION OF THE HANAMACHI.
YOU BARELY SURVIVED BEFORE. THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN HANDLE MY FULL BLOOD DEMON ART!
THEY'RE MUCH FASTER NOW THAT I'M WHOLE AGAIN.


I WILL SLASH YOU AND YOUR DULL SWORD...
THIS IS THE END. GOODBYE.


...AND THEN I AM GOING AFTER THE HASHIRA!

BURNING BONES, SUMMER SUN!
HINOKAMI KAGURA

SUCH PAIN!!
AIEE!!
BUT I STRUCK HIM DEEP!
...AND I CAN'T REGENERATE!
THE WOUND BURNS...
MY HANDS ARE SHAKING. IS THIS ME? OR LORD MUZAN?
PLUS MY OBI IS TOUGHER THAN EVER BEFORE!
HOW CAN HE CUT THROUGH IT?!
USUALLY MY VICTIMS FALL TO PIECES IF THEY KEEP MOVING AFTER A BLOW LIKE THAT.

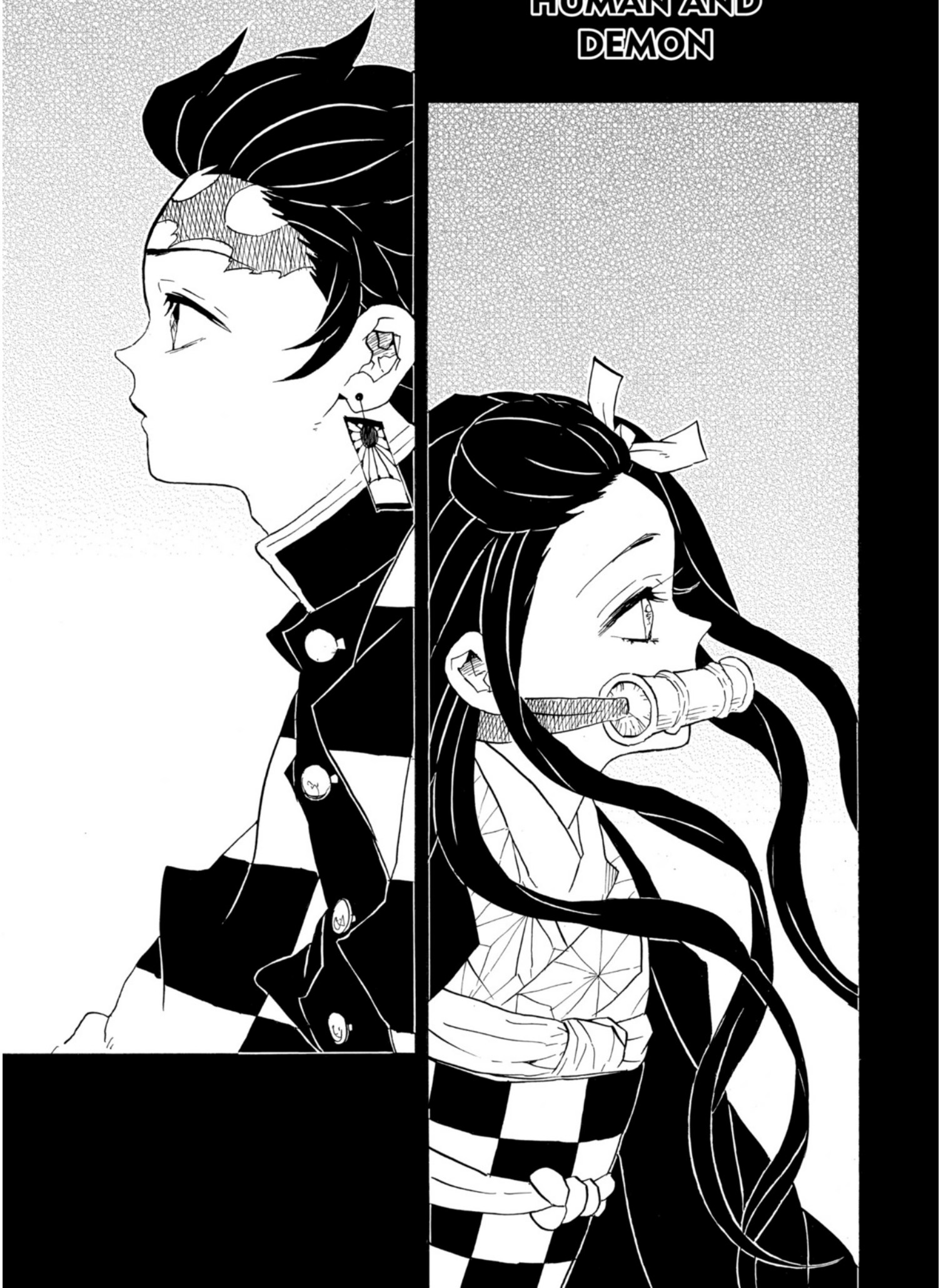
SHAKING
SO STRANGE!
STRANGE.
HE'S FASTER THAN BEFORE!
WOOSH
ISN'T HE HUMAN?!
CAN'T HE FEEL PAIN?
SLASH

WISH

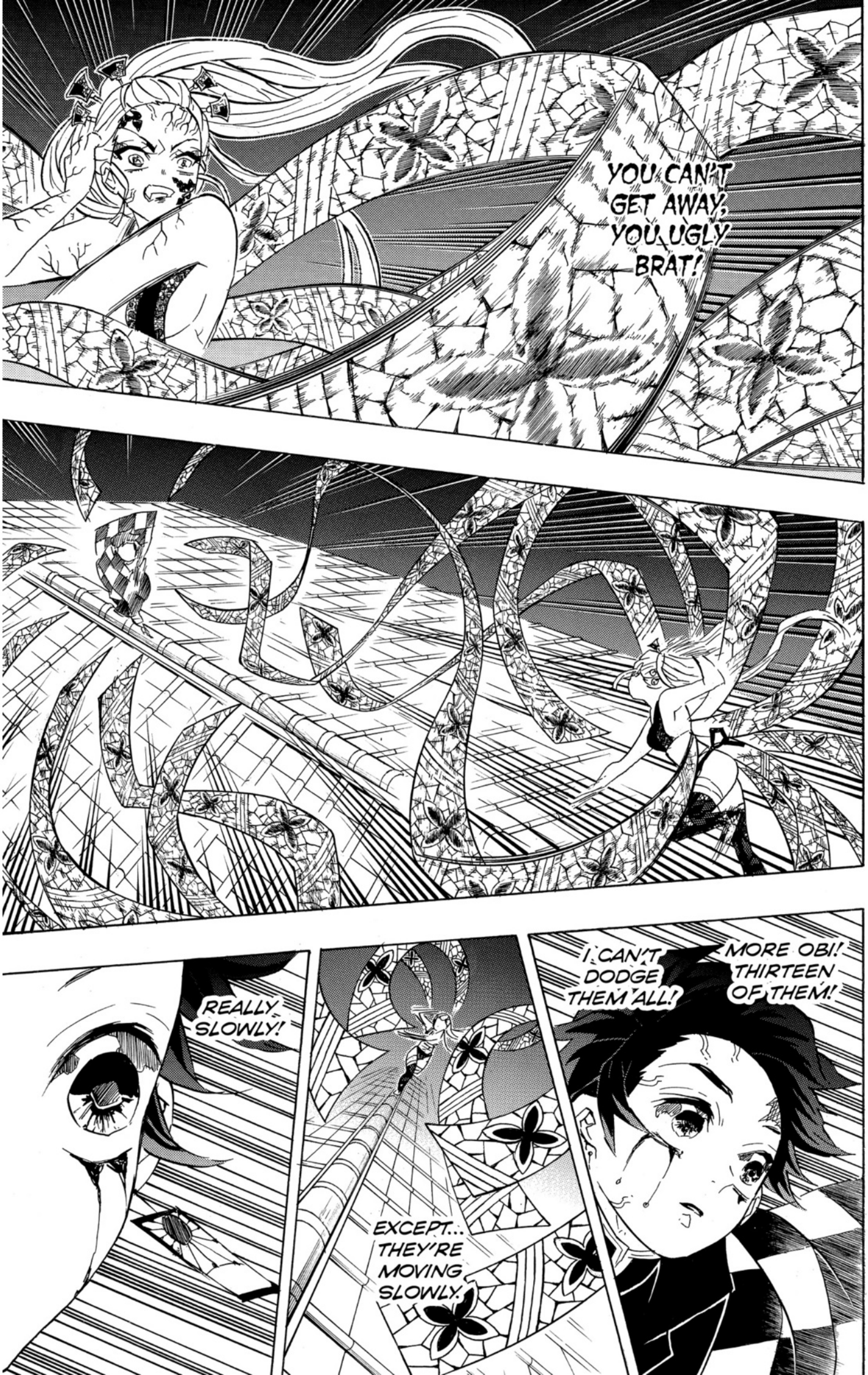
NICE TRY, LITTLE PEST, BUT...
...MY HEAD WON'T BE TAKEN BY THE LIKES OF YOU!

Laughing.
In their letters, Tanjiro and Senjuro like to gossip about Zenitsu and Inosuke. The stories make him laugh out loud.

CHAPTER 82: HUMAN AND DEMON



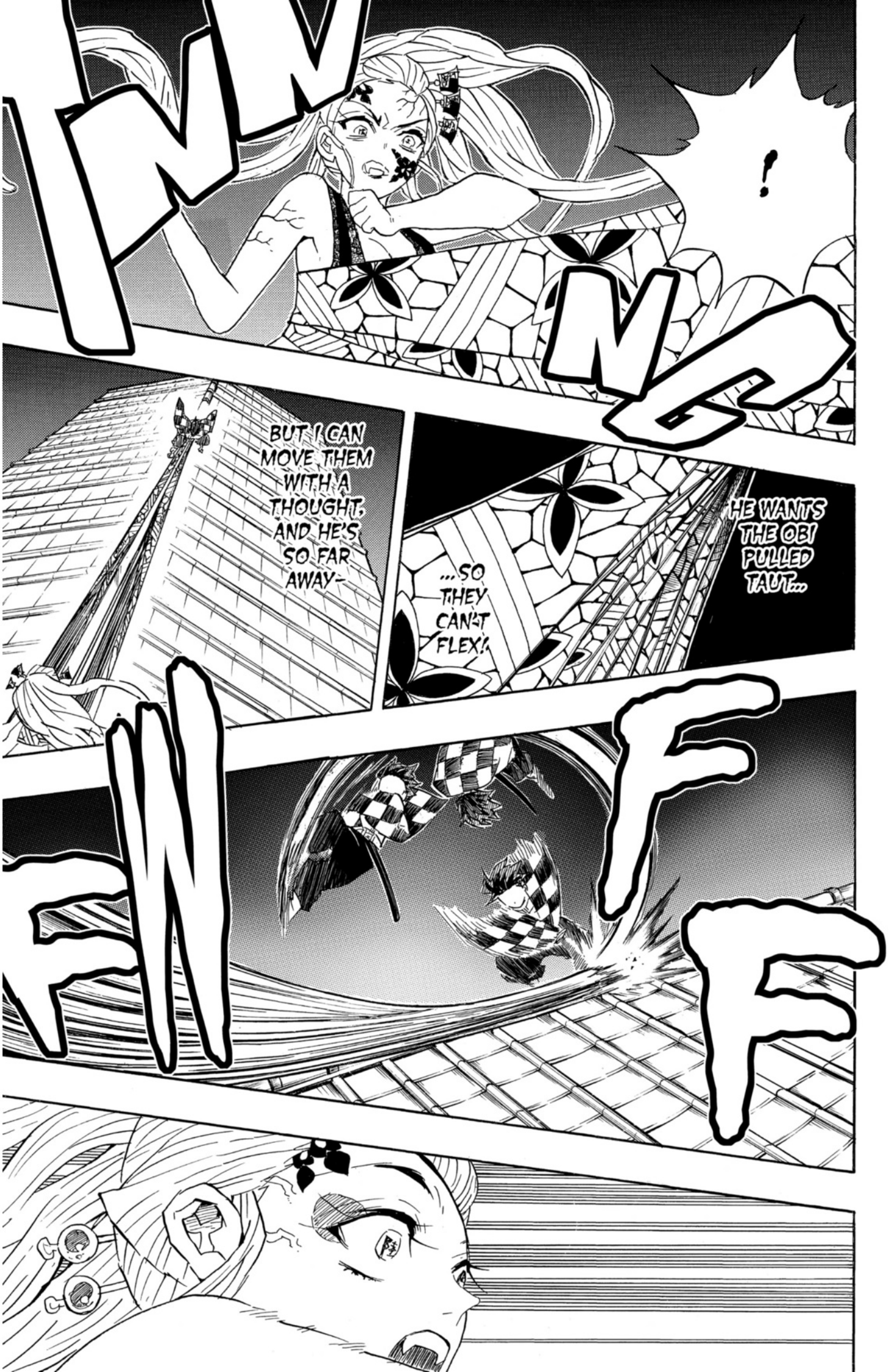
I CAN'T CUT SOMETHING WITH SO MUCH GIVE!
WHEN I STRIKE THE CLOTH IT STRETCHES!
FWP
WSH
FWP


YOU CAN'T GET AWAY, YOU UGLY BRAT!
I CAN'T DODGE THEM ALL!
MORE OBI! THIRTEEN OF THEM!
REALLY SLOWLY!
EXCEPT... THEY'RE MOVING SLOWLY.

WHAP
WHAM
YOU GOT LUCKY LAST TIME!
I WON'T LET YOU TOUCH MY NECK AGAIN!
KYAHAHAHA
KANGHUNG

?!
HE USED THE SIDE OF HIS BLADE TO PARRY ALL OF THEM TO ONE SIDE...
スン

I'LL BLOW YOU AWAY!
DO YOU THINK YOU'VE STOPPED ME?
ヤバイ

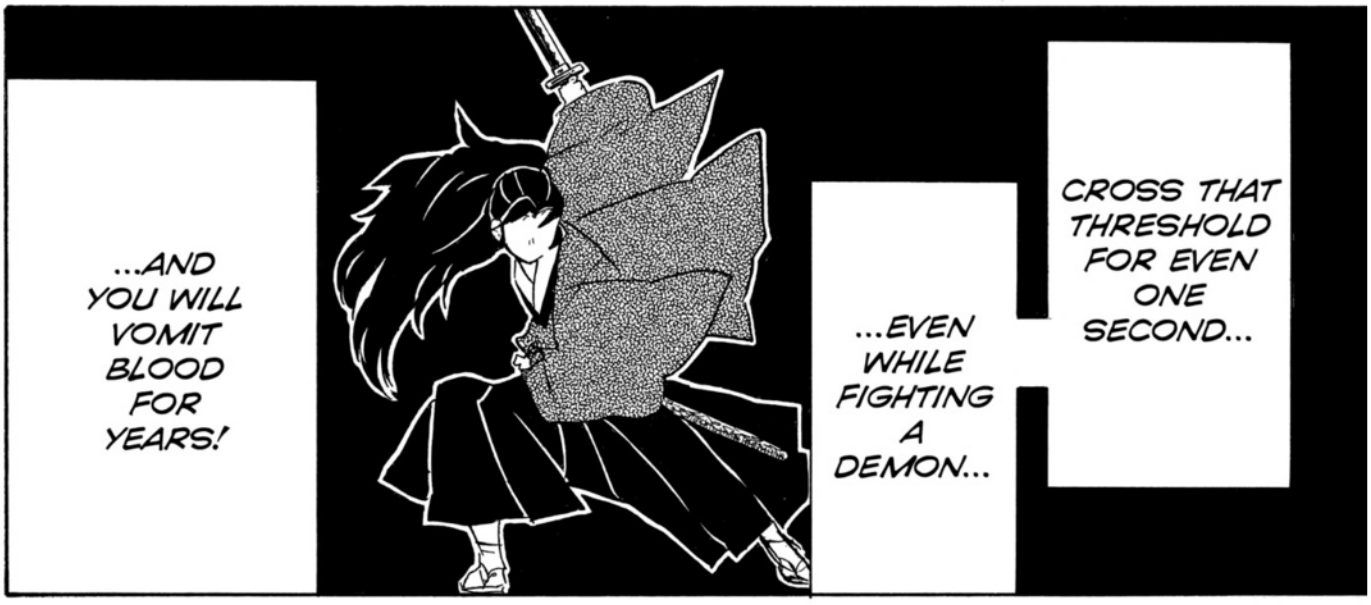

!
HE WANTS THE OBI PULLED TAUT...
...SO THEY CAN'T FLEX!
BUT I CAN MOVE THEM WITH A THOUGHT. AND HE'S SO FAR AWAY-

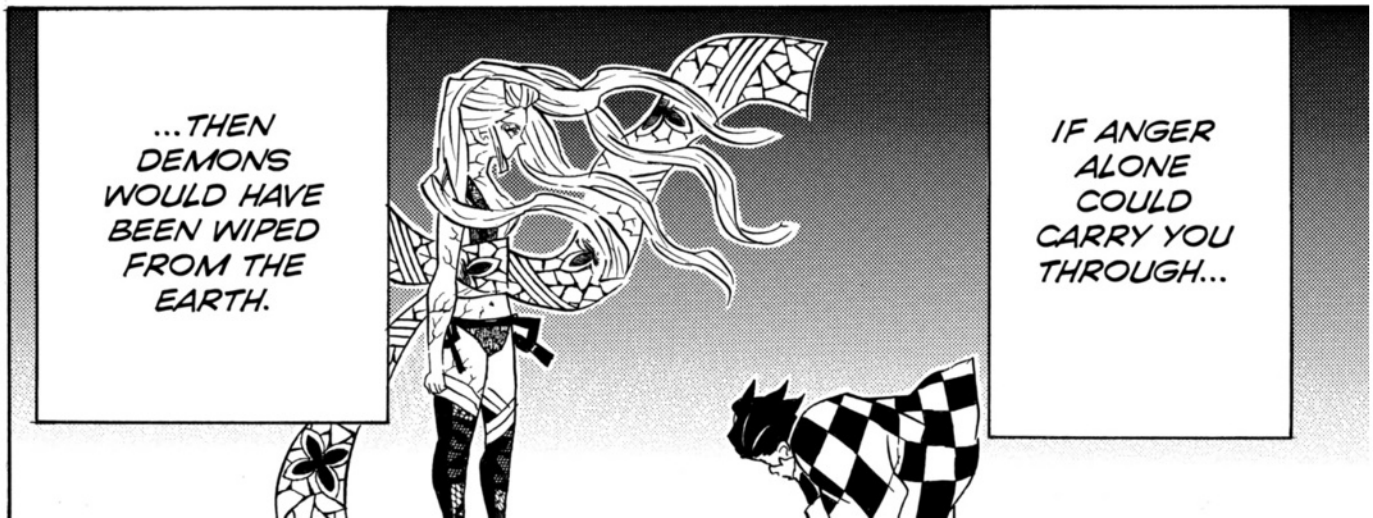
PLEASE!
BIG BROTHER! BREATHE!
KOOF

CAN HE CUT ME?
HUH?
HE'S SO FAST!
IT'S SIMPLE! I JUST NEED TO FINISH MY FOLLOW-THROUGH BEFORE SHE FLEXES...
THIS TIME I CAN DO IT!

SHUMP
HUMAN BEINGS HAVE TWO LIMITATIONS.
KOFF
KOFF
UNGH!
KOFF
KOFF
KOFF
WHEN THEY REACH THEIR PHYSICAL LIMIT...
...THEY'RE WRACKED WITH PAIN AND CANNOT MOVE.
BUT ONE CAN IGNORE THIS PAIN AND KEEP GOING...
KOFF
KOFF
...FUELED BY ANGER SO STRONG THEIR EYES BLEED!

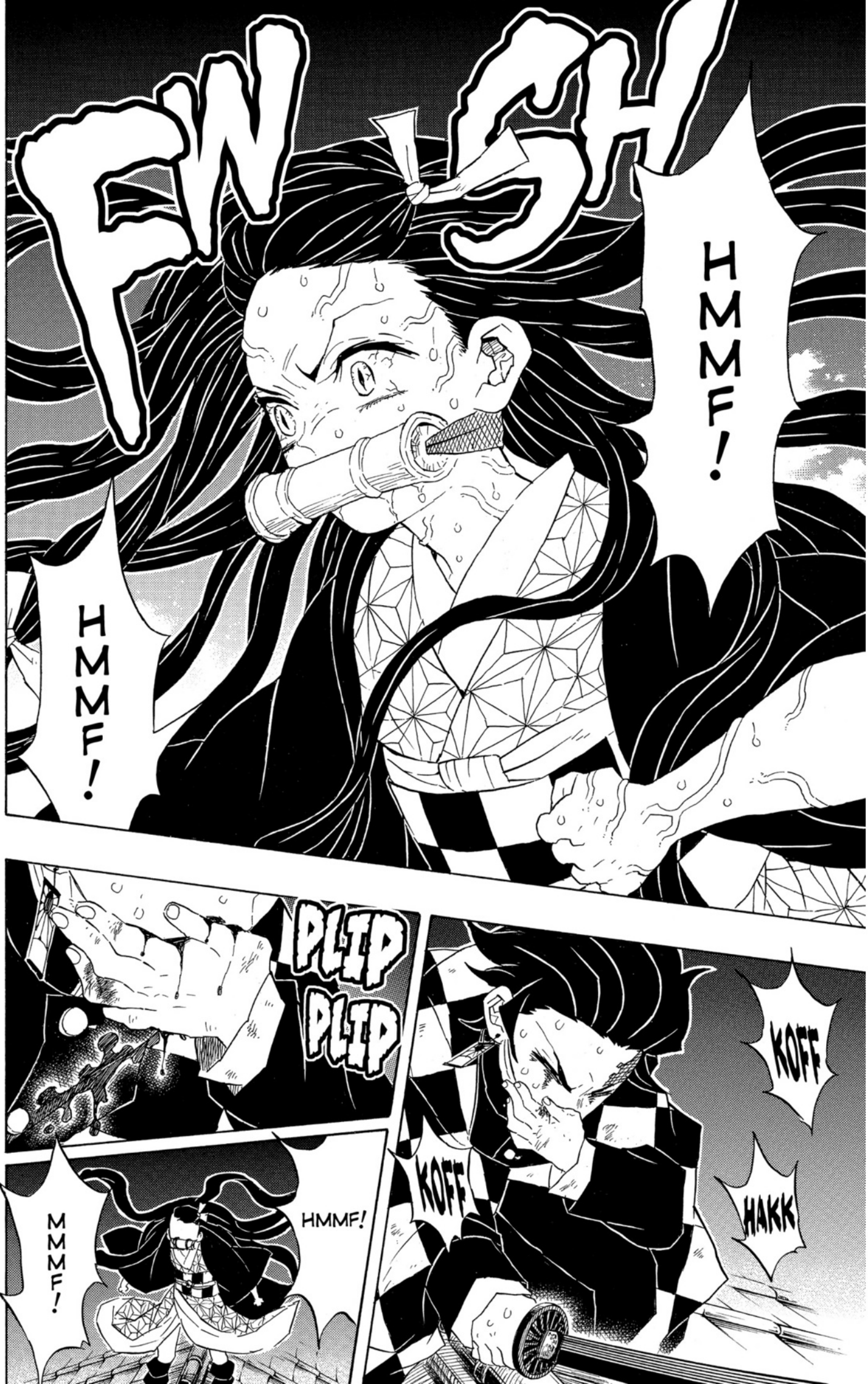
ONCE THAT LIFE FORCE IS GONE, DEATH IS CERTAIN.
TO FIGHT ON BURNS A HUMAN'S LIFE FORCE— THEIR SECOND LIMITATION.
TANJIRO IS ABOUT TO PASS THAT LIMIT.


...AND YOU WILL VOMIT BLOOD FOR YEARS!
...EVEN WHILE FIGHTING A DEMON...
CROSS THAT THRESHOLD FOR EVEN ONE SECOND...


...THEN DEMONS WOULD HAVE BEEN WIPED FROM THE EARTH.
IF ANGER ALONE COULD CARRY YOU THROUGH...

YOU HUMANS ARE SO MISERABLE.
NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY, THIS IS ALL YOU'VE GOT. HOW UNFORTUNATE.
CAN'T STOP COUGHING. CAN'T... BREATHE ...
KOFF
KOFF
KOFF
I PASSED MY LIMIT A WHILE AGO.
MY VISION IS GOING DARK.
BUMP
BUMP
BUMP
BUMP
I CAN ONLY HEAR THE SOUND OF MY HEART-BEAT.
YOUR WOUNDS WILL HEAL VERY SLOWLY...
SWFF
...BUT DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT.
SWFF
GET UP!
KOFF
KOFF
KOFF
RAISE YOUR SWORD!
YOU WON'T HAVE TIME TO NOTICE...

...BECAUSE I'M ABOUT TO CUT OFF YOUR HEAD!
THWA


FWISH
HMMF!
HMMF!
PLIP
PLIP
KOFF
KOFF
HAKK
HMMF!
MMMF!

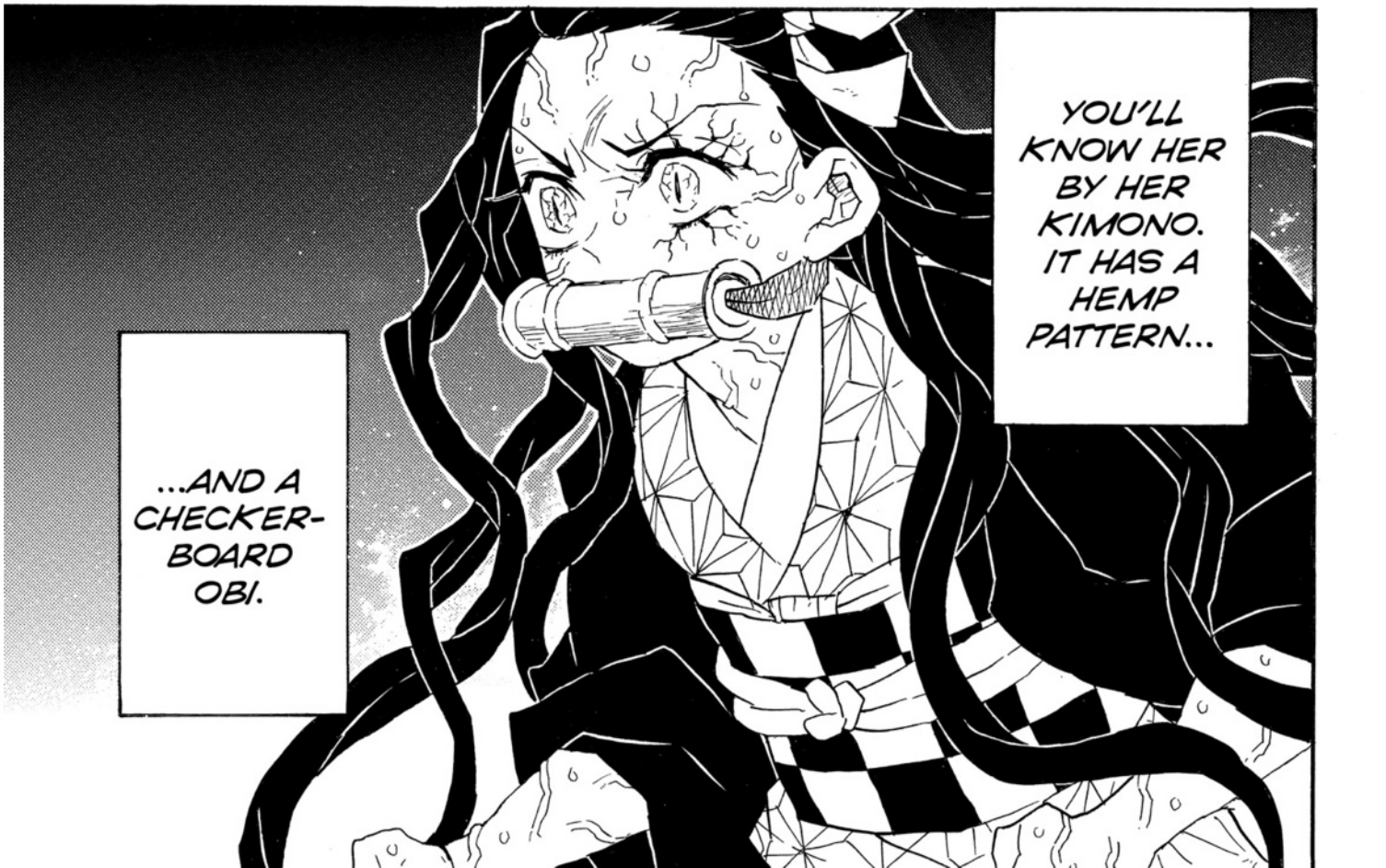
KRAK
BOK
KOFF
GAKK
KOFF
MMMF!
KRIK
KRIK
KOFF
BWOO
FWOSH

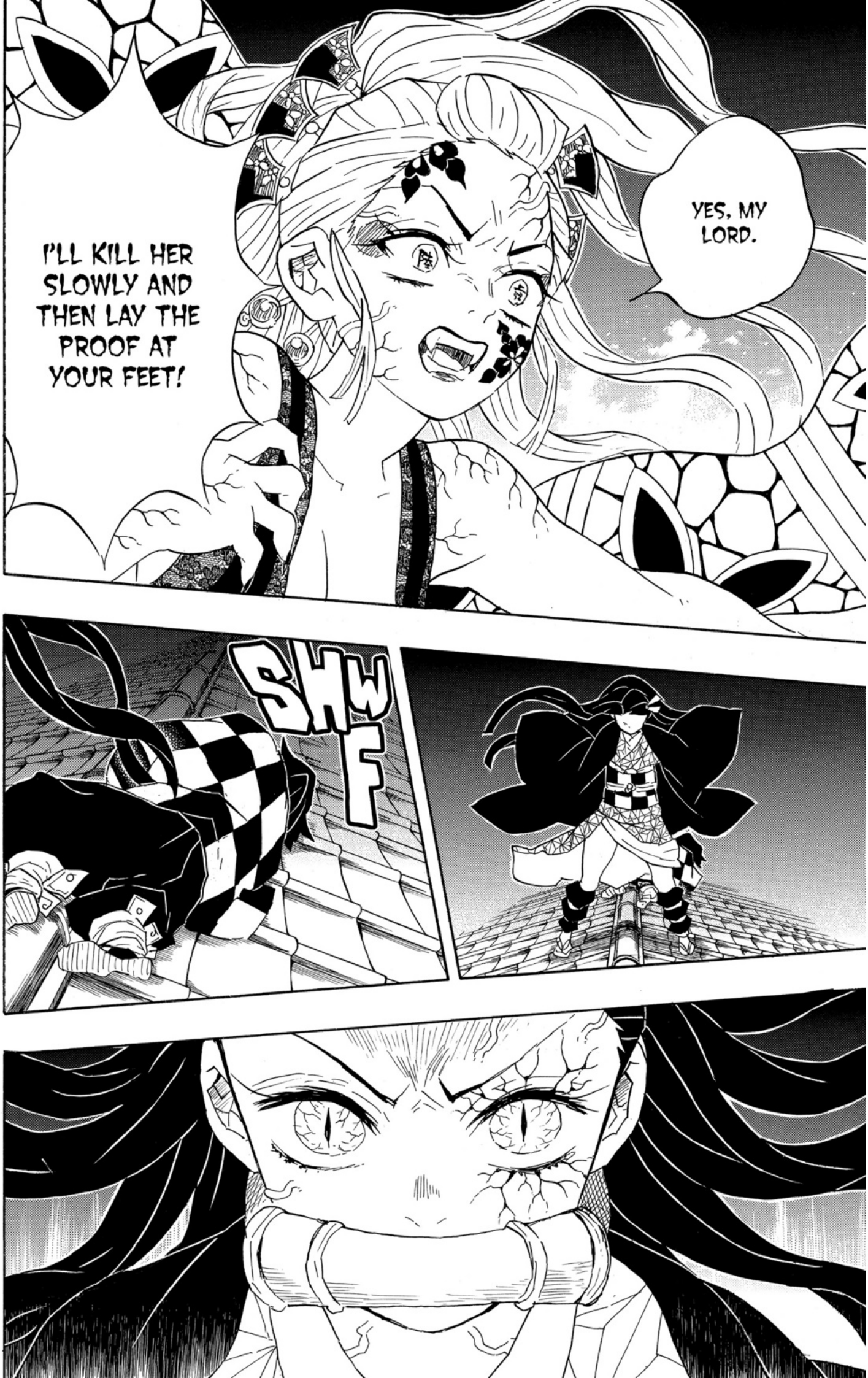
WAIT...
YOU...
IT'S YOU!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU DID THAT!
WHY DID YOU DO THAT?!
KRK
YOU'RE THE ONE HIS LORDSHIP WAS TALKING ABOUT!
KRCH
HUMAN BEINGS HAVE LIMITS.

MM-
HMF!
MMMF!
MEMORIES STIR IN HER.
THROB
...SUCH A HIGH CONCEN-TRATION OF KIBUT-SUJI'S OWN BLOOD.
NEZUKO HAS NEVER ENCOUNTERED A DEMON WHOSE VEINS CONTAIN...
DAKI IS AN UPPER-RANK DEMON.

WHAT ABOUT NEZUKO?
BUT DEMONS?
HER ANGER IS INFINITE!
HER ANGER BURNS JUST AS HOT, BUT IT HAS NO LIMITA-TIONS!
IT DRIVES HER ON UNTIL SHE WIPES HER ENEMY FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

CHAPTER 83: TRANSFORMATION




I'LL KILL HER SLOWLY AND THEN LAY THE PROOF AT YOUR FEET!
YES, MY LORD.
SHWF

IS KICKING HER ONLY ABILITY?

ズバン
YOU! STRIPLING DEMON!

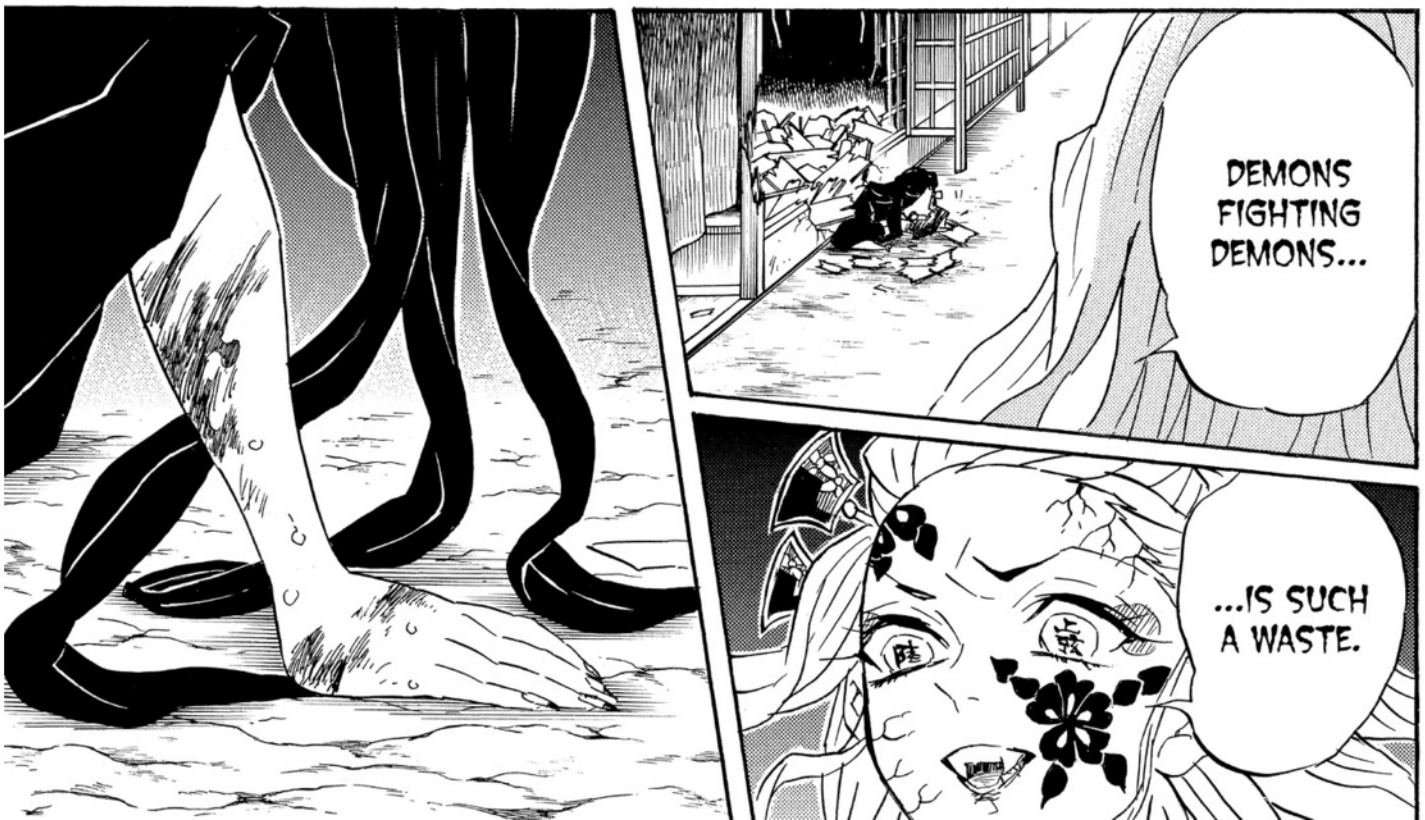
SHWSSH
CHOK

TANJIRO
...
...I GET SCARED WHEN YOU'RE ANGRY.
YOU AND NEZUKO ARE VERY MUCH ALIKE. YOU'RE BOTH KIND, BUT...

I REMEMBER A TIME...
...WHEN A MEAN GROWN-UP CARELESSLY INJURED A LITTLE KID. NEZUKO SAW IT HAPPEN...
...AND SHE GOT ANGRY. SHE DEMANDED HE APOLOGIZE.
THERE WERE LOTS OF GROWN-UPS AROUND SO IT TURNED OUT OKAY.
BUT I WAS SCARED.
PEOPLE WHO GET ANGRY FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS...
...DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEMSELVES.
BECAUSE OF THAT...
...YOU COULD LOSE EVERYTHING, AND THAT SCARES ME.

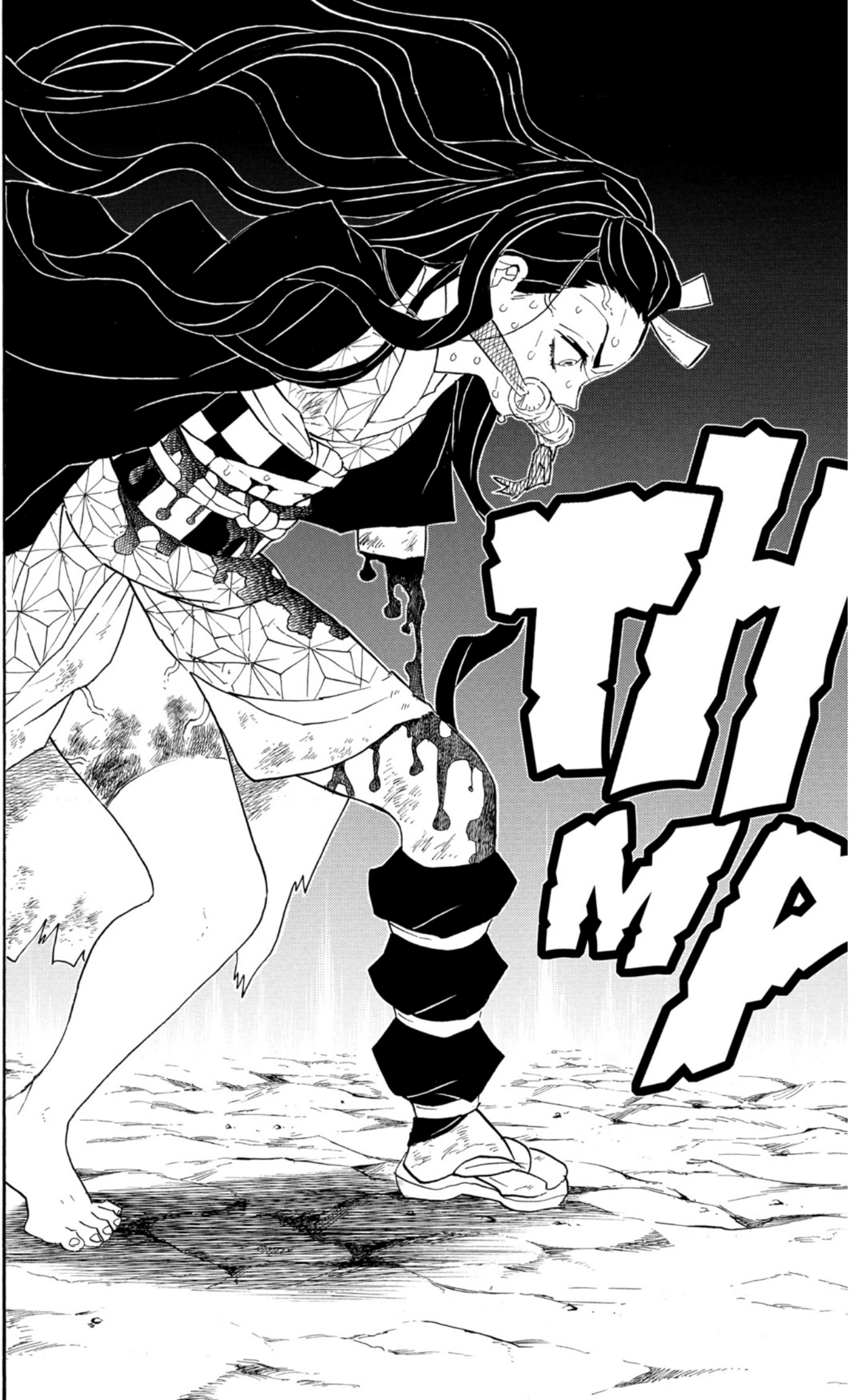
A HALF-DEVELOPED DEMON LIKE YOU...
...WON'T QUICKLY REGENERATE THOSE WOUNDS.

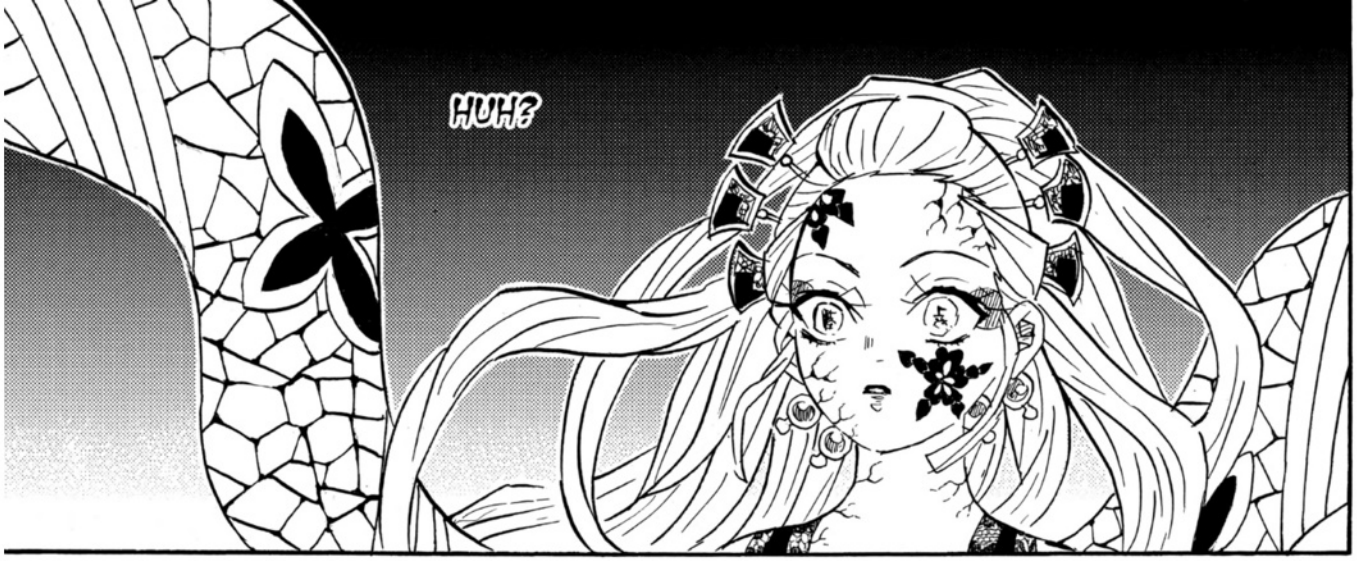
SHFF
BUT SINCE YOU ARE A DEMON, I WON'T TOY WITH YOU ANY LONGER.
I'LL WRAP YOU UP INSIDE MY OBI...
...AND IN THE MORNING I'LL EXPOSE YOU TO THE SUN AND KILL YOU.
SHFF


DEMONS FIGHTING DEMONS...
...IS SUCH A WASTE.

YOU'RE WEAK.
YOU NEVER FEED ON HUMANS.
HOW DID YOU ESCAPE HIS LORD-SHIP'S CONTROL?
THP

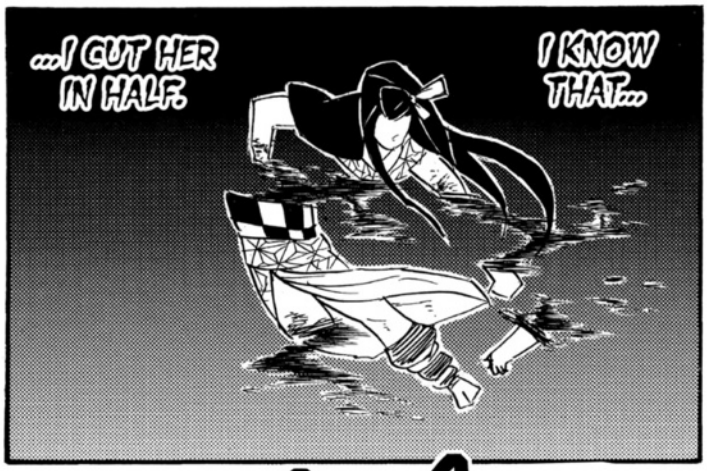
TWK
YOUR BODY IS COMING APART LIKE FALLING TEARS.
YOU POOR WRETCH.

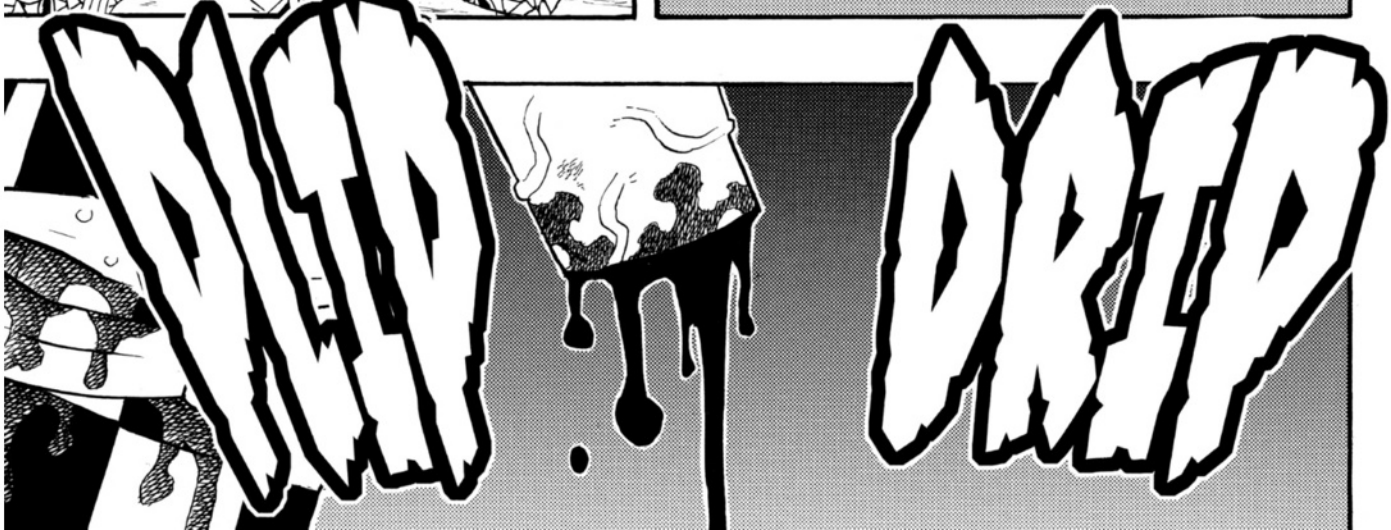

TH
MA


HUH?

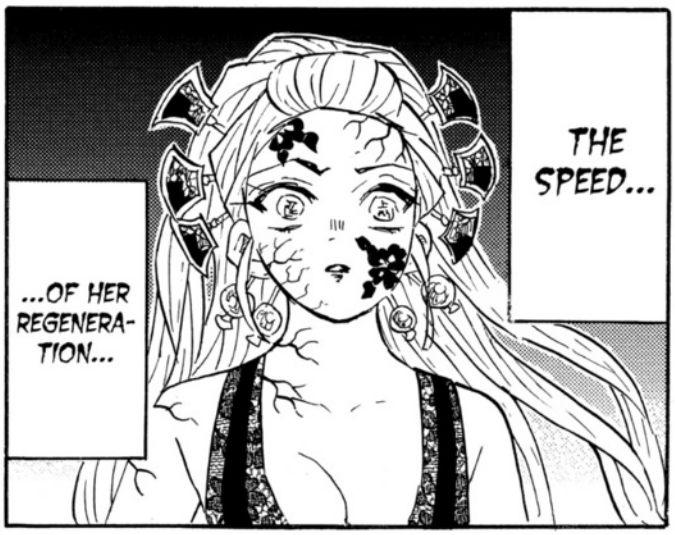
SHE DID REGENERATE HER LEG! BUT EVEN SO, HOW CAN SHE STAND?
WAIT. WHAT'S GOING ON?

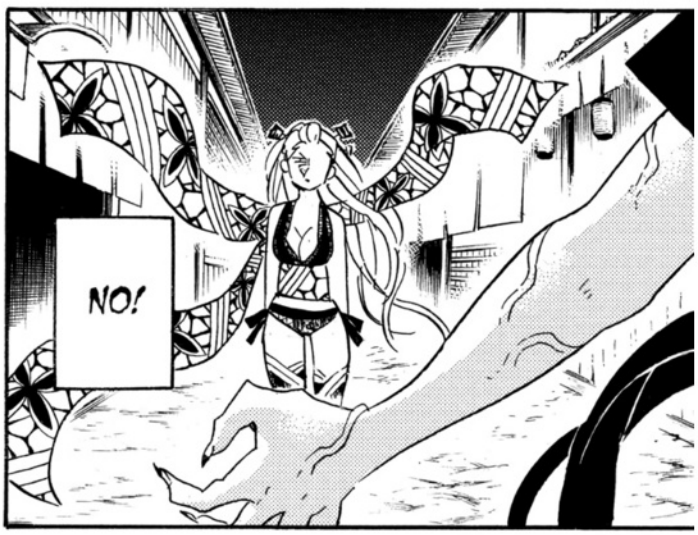
I DEFINITELY CUT THROUGH HER.
I FELT IT.


...I CUT HER IN HALF.
I KNOW THAT...


DRIP

GRR


THE SPEED...
...OF HER REGENERATION...

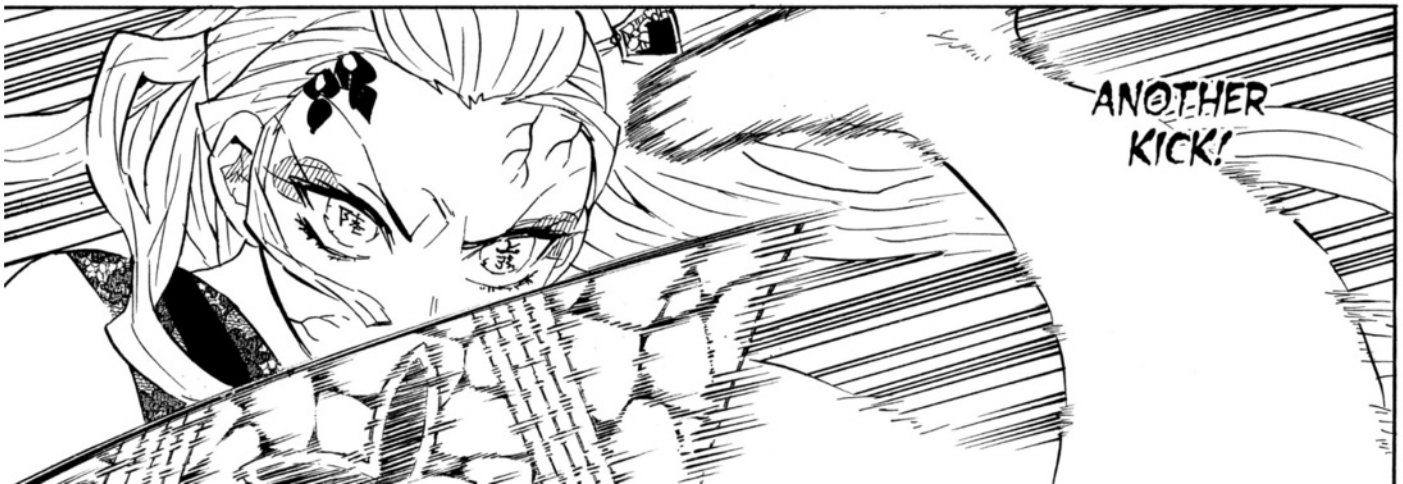

NO!

GNAW
GNAW
GNASH
SHE'S REGENERATING AS QUICKLY AS AN UPPER-RANK DEMON!

AP

WHAT'S THIS FEELING? HER MENACING AURA HAS CHANGED.

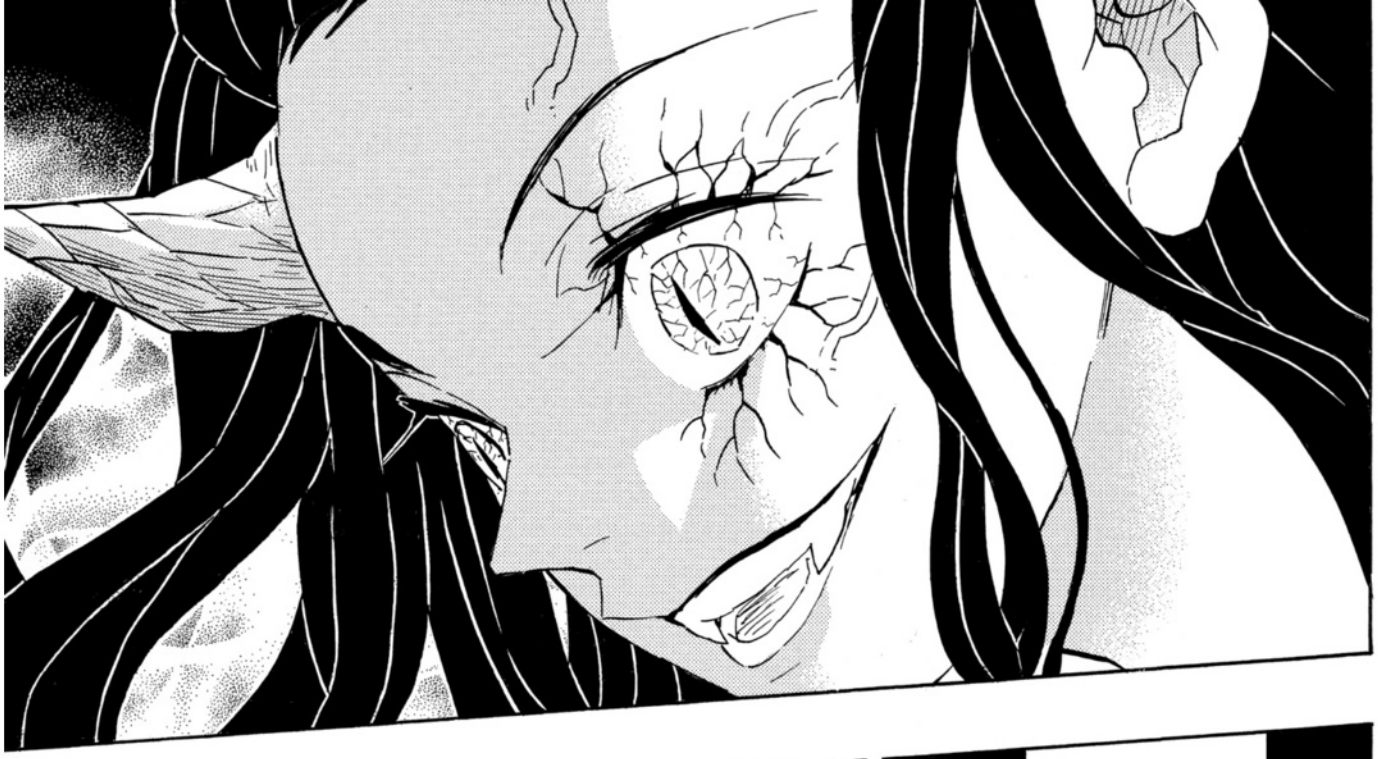
GRRR

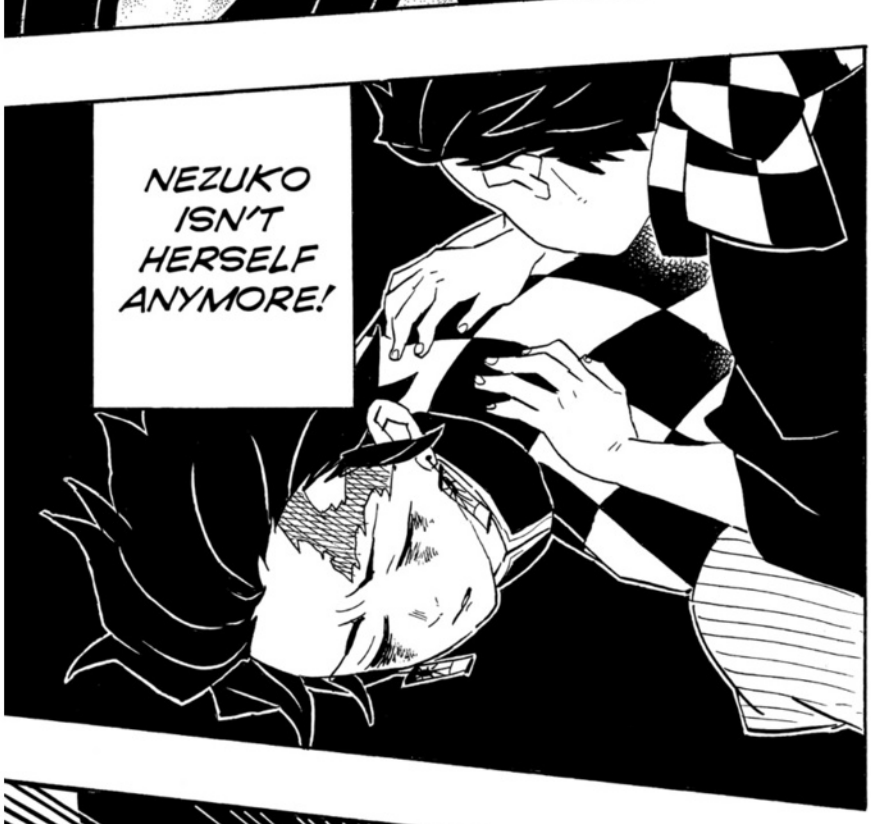

ANOTHER KICK!

NEXT I'LL TAKE YOUR HEAD!
THE FOOL STILL HAS ONLY ONE ATTACK!

SLAMM

GYAAAH!
HOW CAN SHE HAVE STABBED ME...
...WITH THE SAME LEG I JUST CUT OFF?!
DID SHE REGENERATE IT INSTANTLY?!
IMPOSSIBLE!
THAT WOULD MAKE HER REGENERATIVE POWERS EVEN GREATER THAN MINE!




NEZUKO ISN'T HERSELF ANYMORE!

TANJIRO, HELP!

CHAPTER 84: WHAT IS IMPORTANT

LET ME UP, YOU BRAT!
ドカ
VOO

I'LL CUT YOU INTO LITTLE PIECES AND SCOOP THEM INTO MY OBI!
?!

GU
SH
...A SEVERED LIMB?!
SHE STOPPED ME WITH...
NO! IT'S NOT SEVERED!
THE BLOOD HAS SOLIDIFIED...
DRIP
FOOM

GYAAAAH!
I'M BURNING!
FIRE!
WHERE HER BLOOD SPLASHED ME...
SLRK SLRK

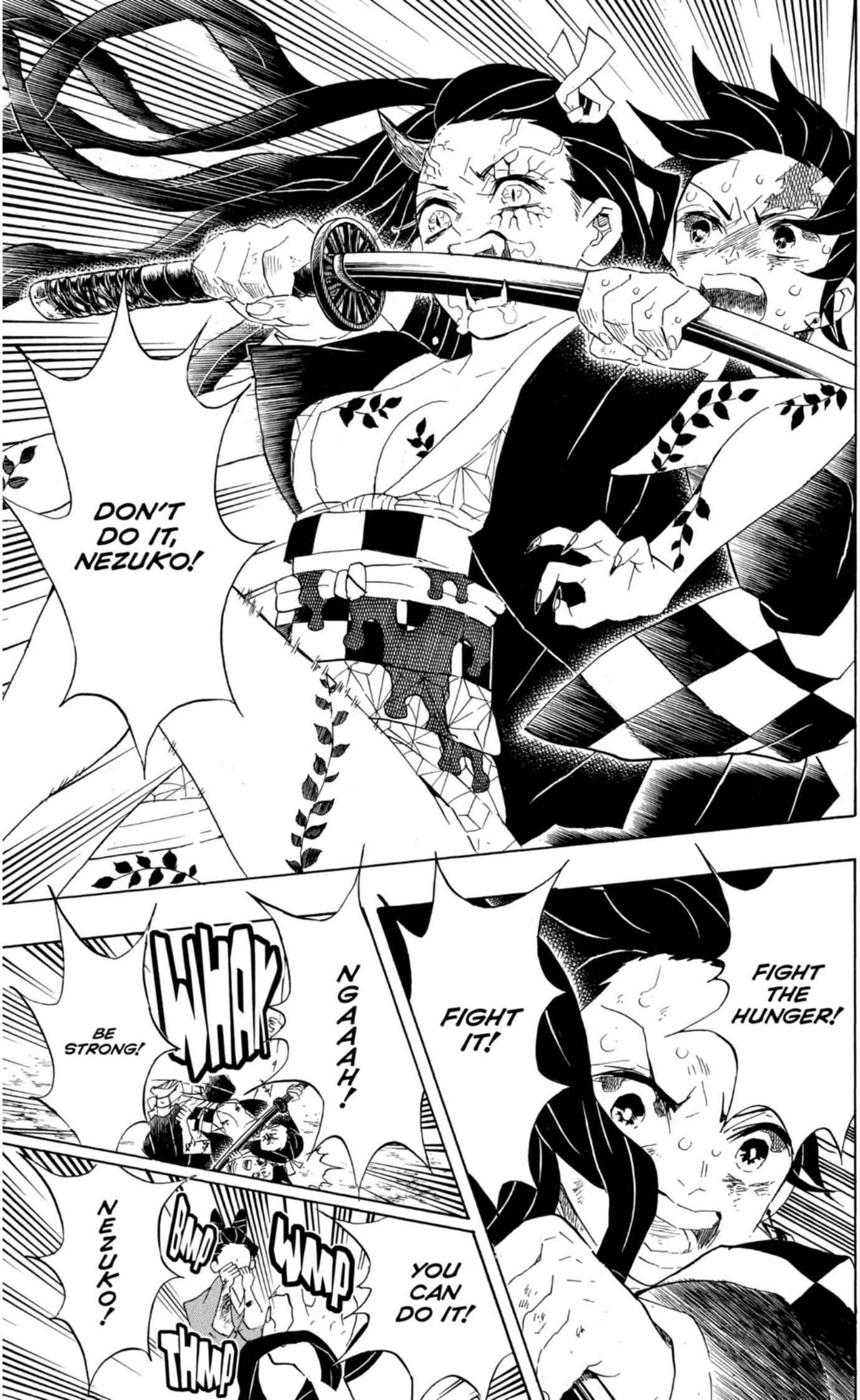
ヒヤ
ヒヤ
ンンン
ンンン

SLAM
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP

WA
TH
!!

HFF
HFF
KRASH
KRTK
...
PLIP
PLIP

GRRAAH!


DON'T DO IT, NEZUKO!
FIGHT THE HUNGER!
FIGHT IT!
NGAAAH!
WHAK
BE STRONG!
NEZUKO!
BMP
WMP
THMP
YOU CAN DO IT!

GRAAAAAA!
THUMP
WHACK
YAAAAGH!
THUMP
WHACK

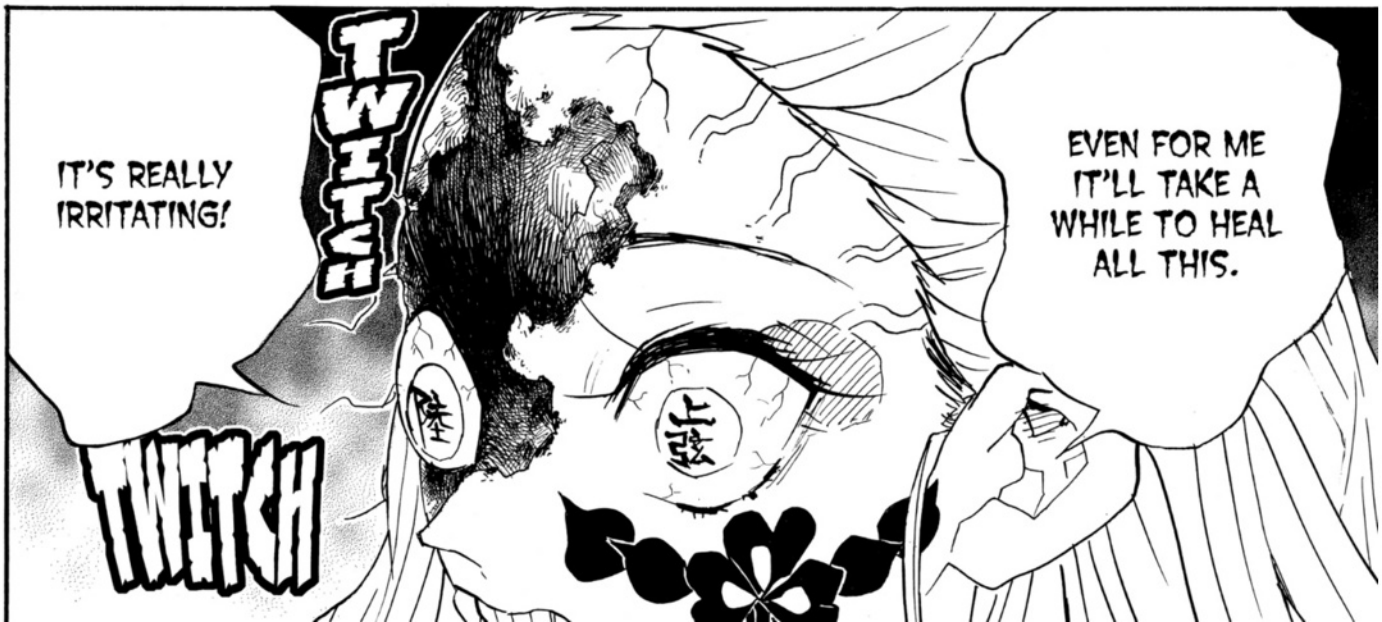
FORGIVE ME!
I'M SORRY I MADE YOU FIGHT!
CHHK
I CAN SMELL NEZUKO'S BLOOD ALL AROUND.
SHE WAS TERRIBLY INJURED WHILE I WAS OUT COLD!

WHAM
I'M SO SORRY!
BUT I'M HERE NOW!
I CAN TELL HOW MUCH YOU'VE BEEN HURT!
BAM
CALM DOWN, NEZUKO!
YOUR BIG BROTHER IS HERE TO PROTECT YOU! YOU'RE SAFE!
GO TO SLEEP AND HEAL!
NEZU...
NEZUKO!!
WHUMP
URAAAH!

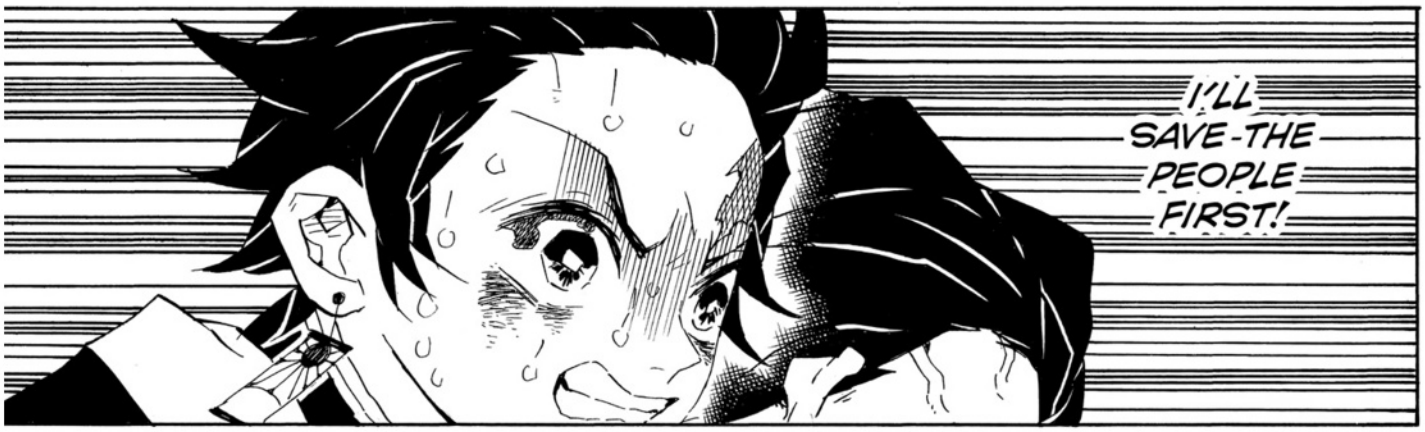
KRAK
KSHH

KRMP
WHAT ?!
YAAAAAH!
THEY'RE COMING THROUGH THE FLOOR!
KRMP
LOOK OUT!
CHOMP
GAAAH!
GNG
PLEASE! SLEEP!
NEZUKO!
GRRRR
KOFF
NGH!
SSSHH
YAAAAH!

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WERE ABLE TO DO THAT.
AND YOU CAN EVEN USE A BLOOD DEMON ART.
CRAZY!
A STRANGE BLOOD DEMON ART THAT BURNS ONLY DEMONS.


EVEN FOR ME IT'LL TAKE A WHILE TO HEAL ALL THIS.
TWITCH
IT'S REALLY IRRITATING!
TWITCH

...THE INNOCENT BYSTAND-ERS!
I HAVE TO PROTECT...
OH NO!
GRRRR!
IS IT SAFE TO LET NEZUKO GO?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
GRRR!
FWP
SHE'S GONNA ATTACK...
...AND THE WHOLE BUILDING WILL FALL!
HWP
FMP
GRRR!
THMP
THINK AND MOVE!
THINK!
WHOMP

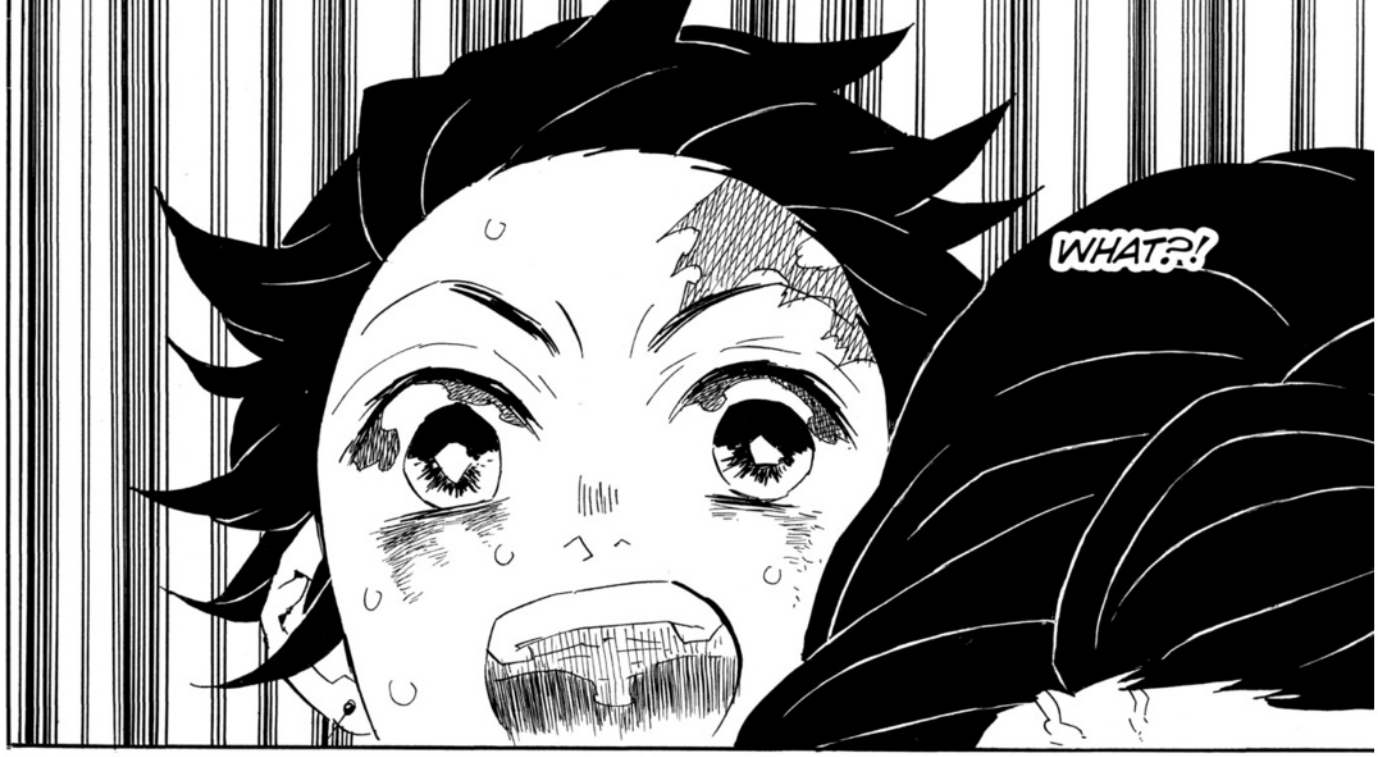

I'LL SAVE THE PEOPLE FIRST!

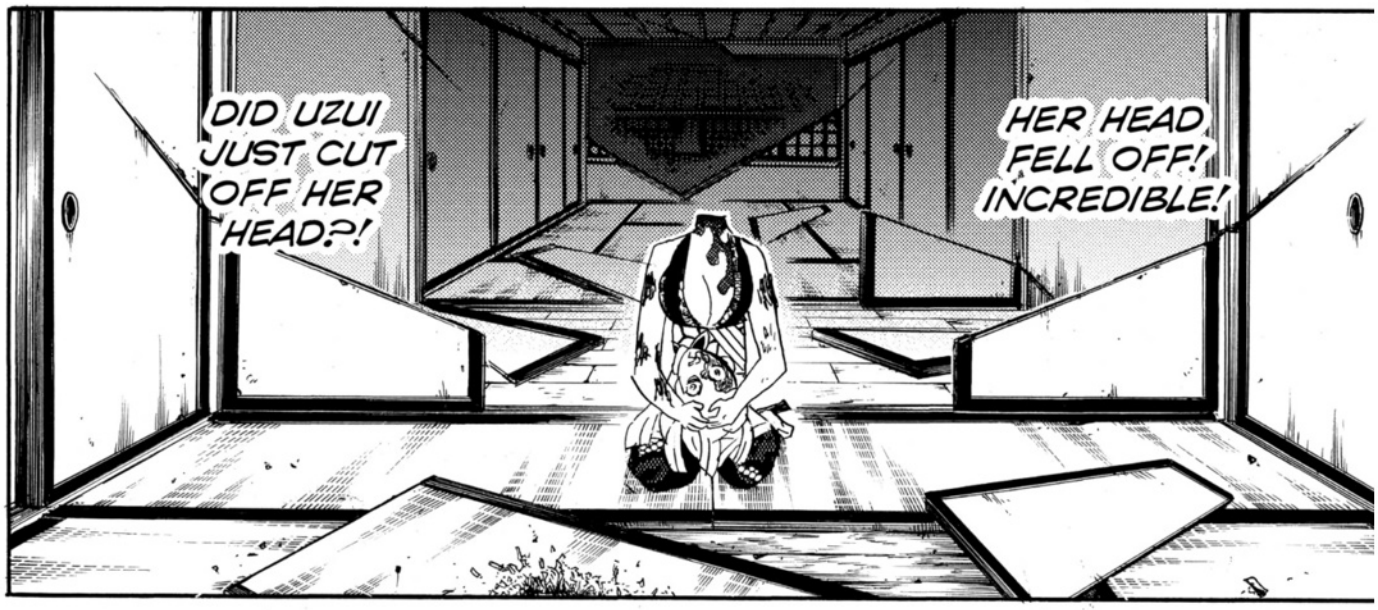
TNKKLK
WOW! IS THIS REALLY NEZUKO KAMADO?
HER DEMONIZATION IS REALLY ADVANCING! VERY FLASHY!
GEH!
?!
?!
YOU TALKED BIG IN FRONT OF THE MASTER, BUT HOW IS SHE *REALLY* DOING?!
GACK
!
THE HASHIRA!
HE'S HERE HIMSELF!
THAT SAVES ME SOME EFFORT.
GRAK!
SHUT UP. I'M NOT TALKING TO YOU.
BEAT IT!

YOU AREN'T THE ONE I WAS LOOKING FOR, RIGHT? YOU'RE TOO WEAK.
YOU CAN'T BE AN UPPER-RANK DEMON.
FLOP
WHAT THE-?

Taisho Whispers & Rumors
TADAAH
FWEET WOOO
Uzui's Crow is ultra-chic. Apparently, it's a fashion leader in the crow world.

CHAPTER 85: WEEPING


WHAT?!


DID UZUI JUST CUT OFF HER HEAD?!
HER HEAD FELL OFF! INCREDIBLE!

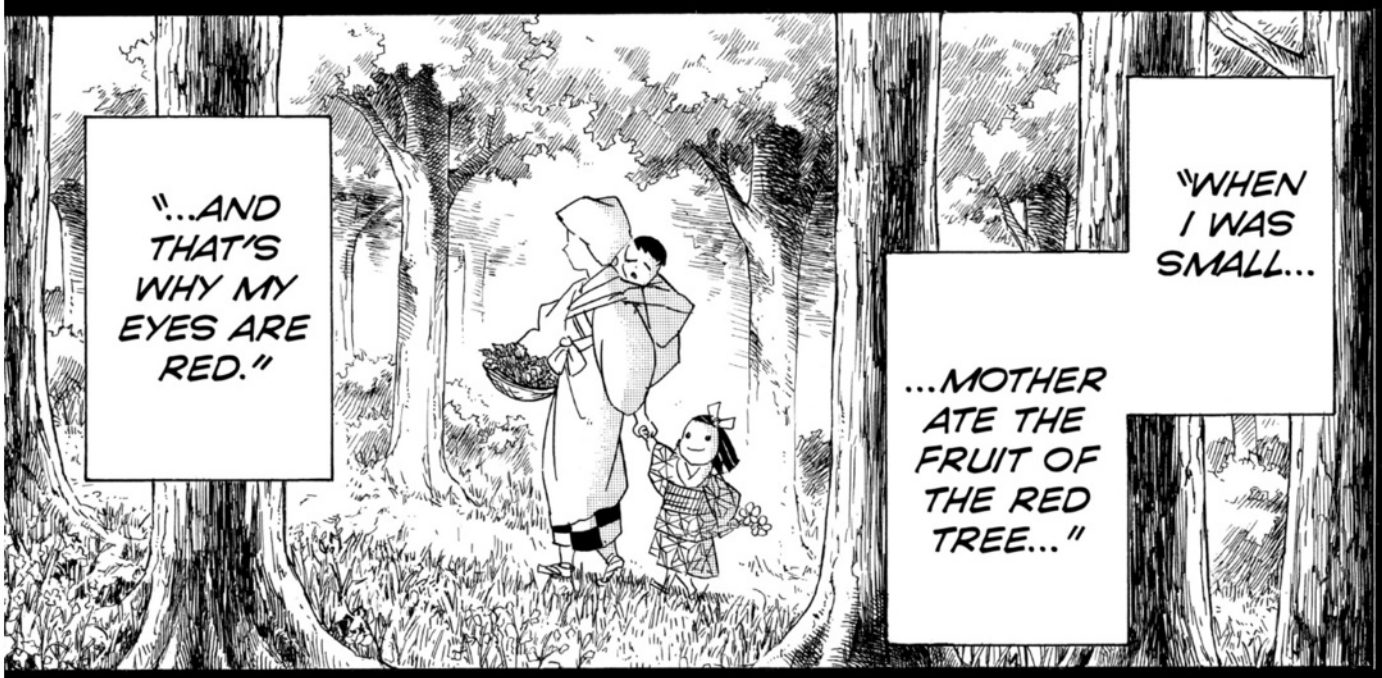
NEZUKO!
FMP
GRARRR!
GRARRR!
THRASH
!
THIS FIGHT ISN'T OVER. DO SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR SISTER.
SHIT
HEY.

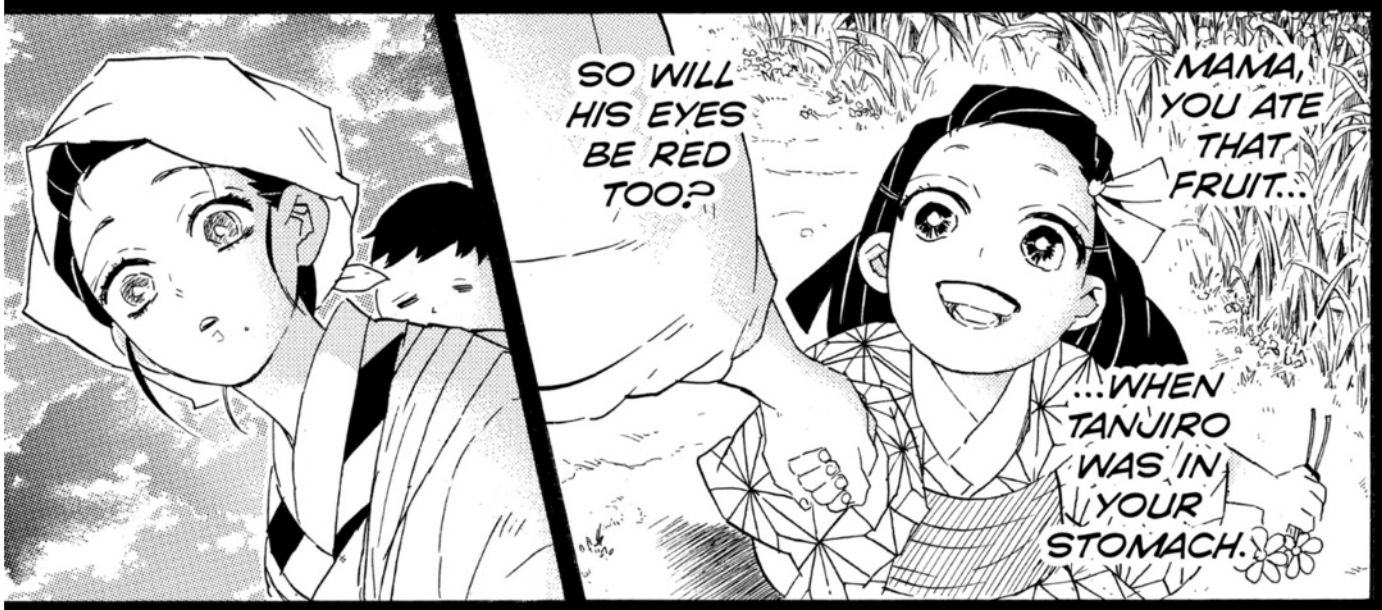
I DON'T NEED A SNARLING LITTLE BRAT TO WORRY ABOUT WHILE I'M IN BATTLE.
SING HER A QUAINT COUNTRY LULLABY OR SOME OTHER BORING THING.
IRASHI
GRAAAR!
!

UGH!
THUD
UMP
GNAAH!
GAH
THMP
NEZUKO!
NGH!
GRAK
AAK!
IT'S NO USE. I'M NOT GETTING THROUGH.
SHE WON'T LISTEN AT ALL.
WHAT SHOULD I DO, MOTHER?

SING SOMETHING SOOTHING. A LULLABY.
HUSH, HUSH...
BABY RABBIT...
...ON THE HILL-SIDE...
...WHY ARE YOUR...
...EARS SO LONG?
WHEN I WAS SMALL...
...AND THAT'S WHY...
...MOTHER ATE THE LEAVES OF A TALL TREE...
...MY EARS ARE LONG.

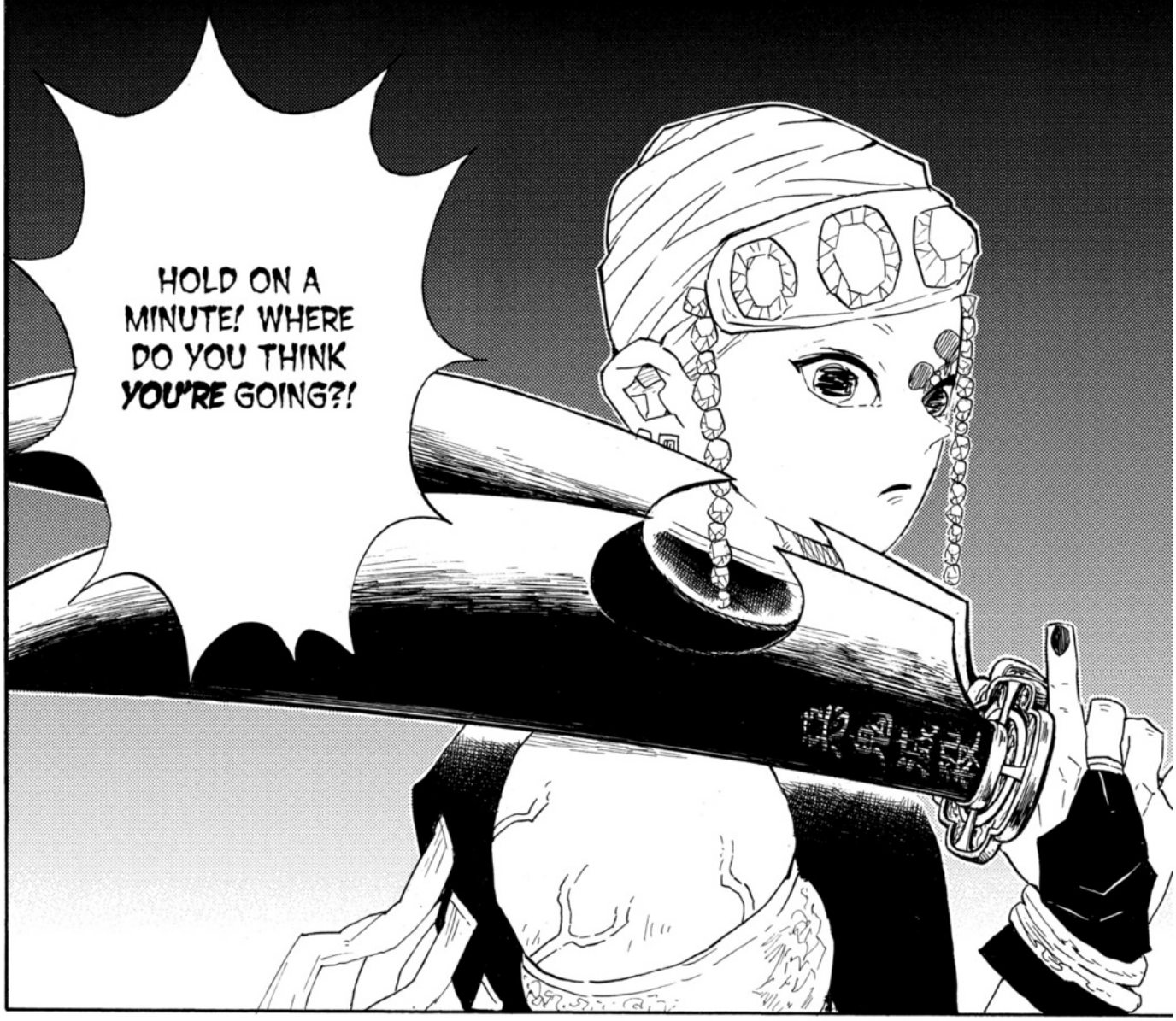
NEZUKO...
"HUSH, HUSH... BABY RABBIT ON THE HILLSIDE..."
"...WHY ARE YOUR EYES SO RED?"


"WHEN I WAS SMALL...
...MOTHER ATE THE FRUIT OF THE RED TREE..."
"...AND THAT'S WHY MY EYES ARE RED."


MAMA, YOU ATE THAT FRUIT...
...WHEN TANJIRO WAS IN YOUR STOMACH.
SO WILL HIS EYES BE RED TOO?

WAAAH
SOBB
NEZUKO...
V00
V00

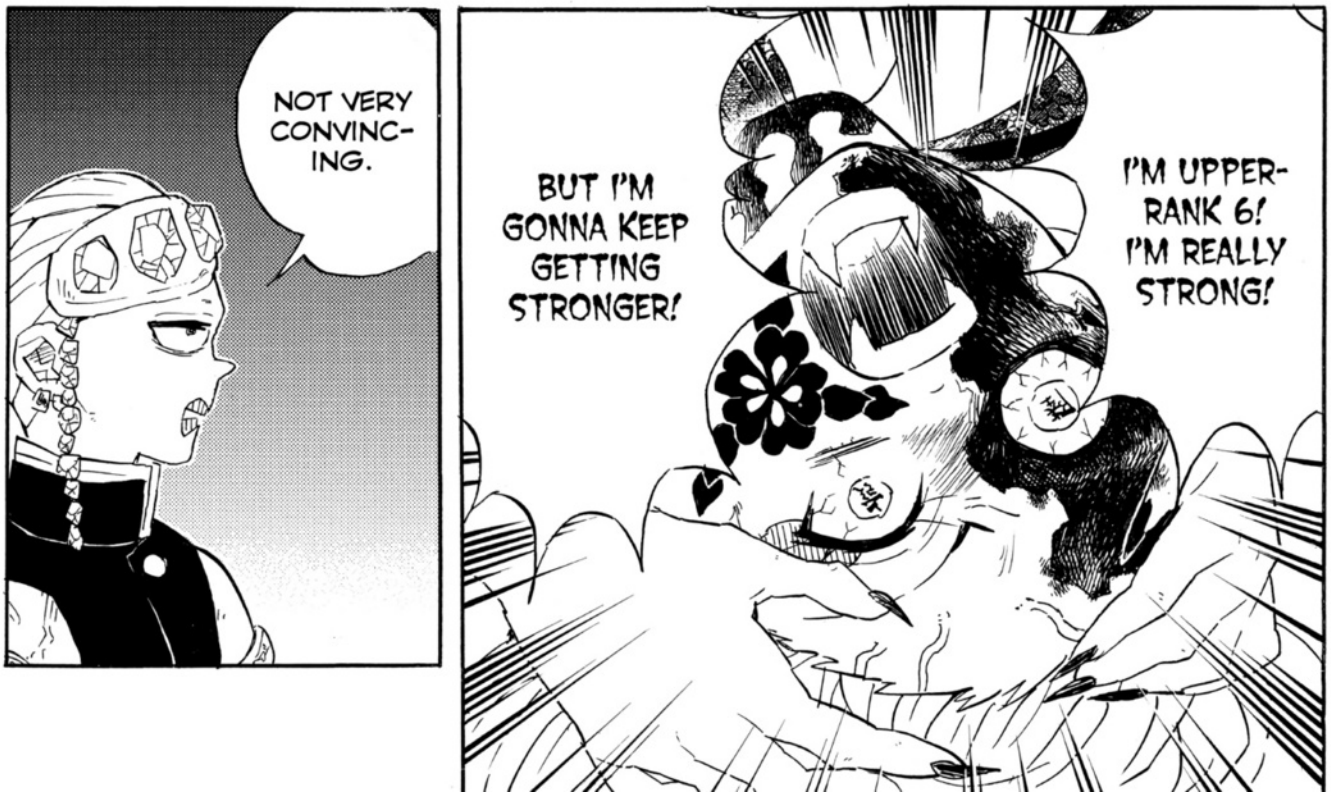
NNN
NNN
SHE'S ASLEEP.
SHE FELL ASLEEP, MOM.
PAT
SHE FELL ASLEEP ...
UZUI...



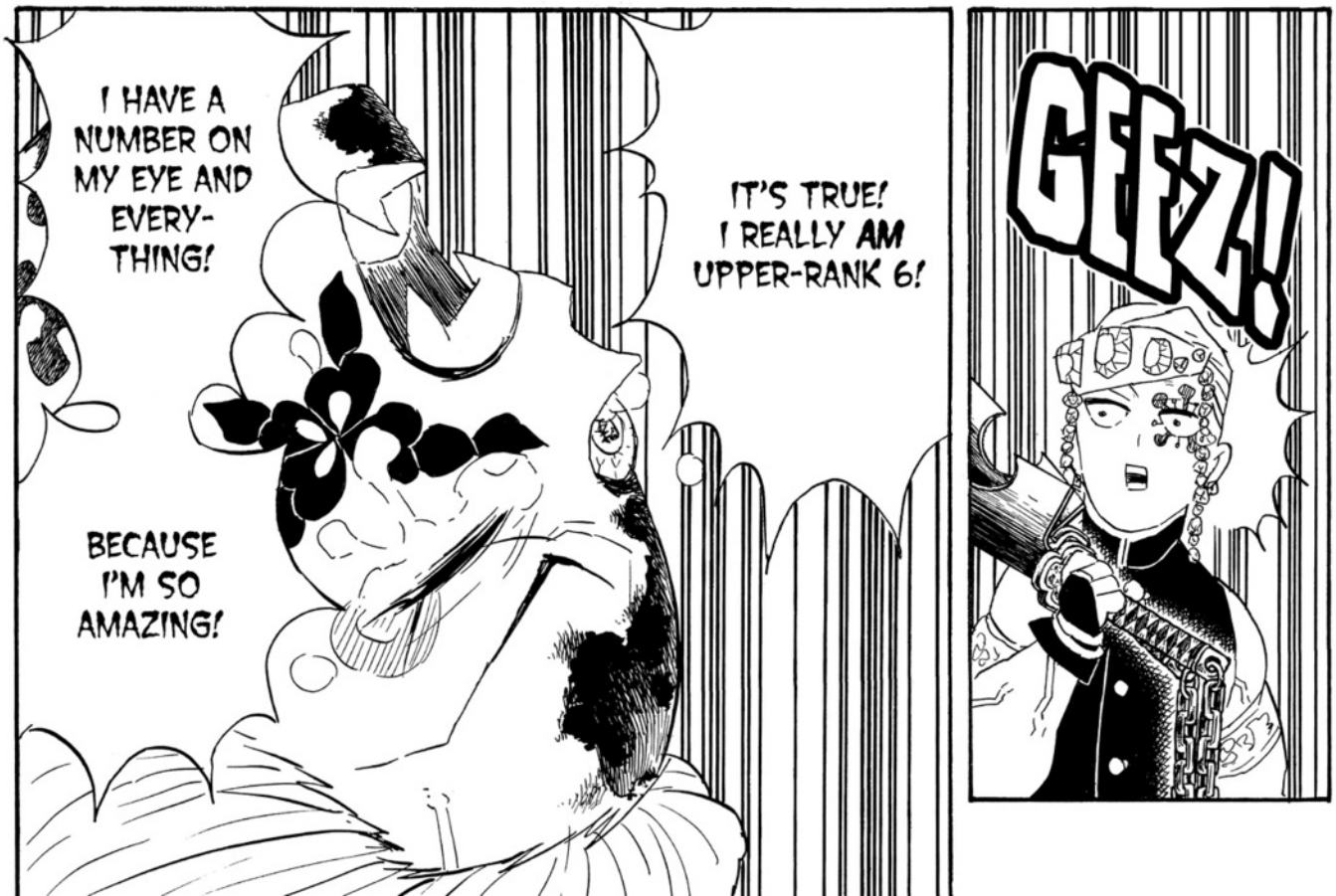
*SWORD: AKKIMESSATSU, DESTROYER OF DEMONS

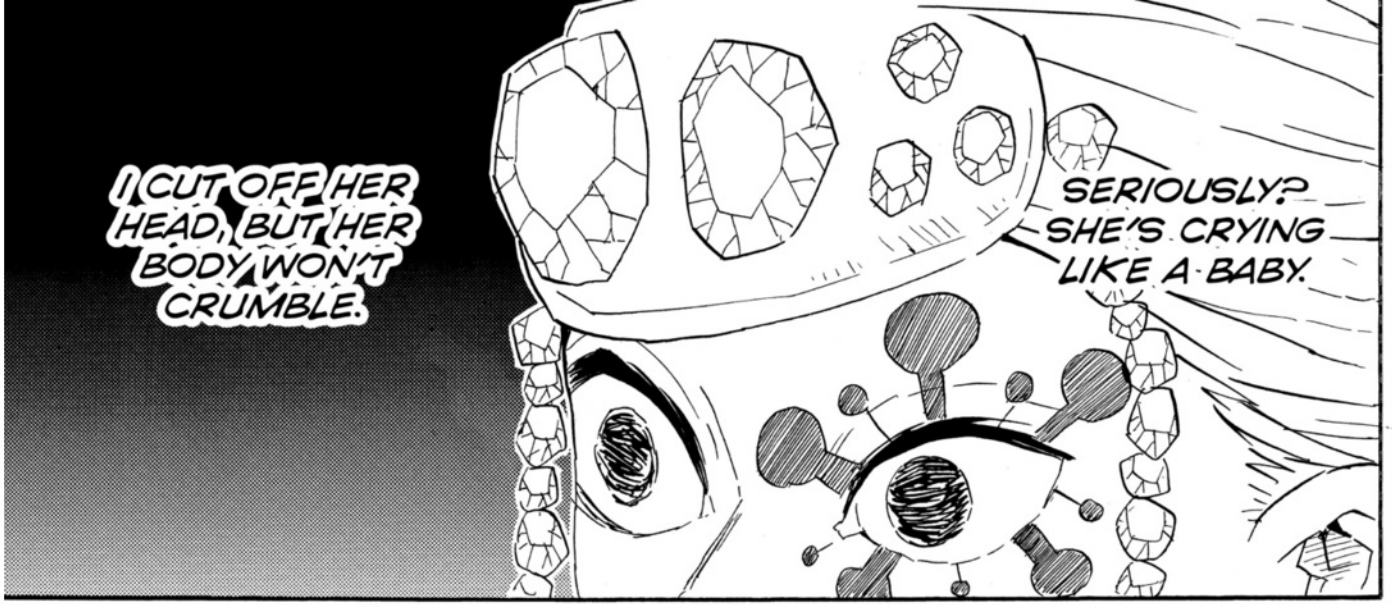
I'M UPPER-RANK 6!
BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT AN UPPER-RANK DEMON.

I'VE NEVER LOST IN BATTLE! NOT ONCE!
CLEARLY YOU LOST TODAY.
I EARNED MY UPPER RANK!
HAS YOUR BRAIN DRIPPED OUT TOO?
YEAH? THEN WHY IS YOUR HEAD CUT OFF? YOU'RE CLEARLY NOT STRONG ENOUGH.


NOT VERY CONVINC-ING.
BUT I'M GONNA KEEP GETTING STRONGER!
I'M UPPER-RANK 6! I'M REALLY STRONG!

WA
A
AH


I HAVE A NUMBER ON MY EYE AND EVERY-THING!
IT'S TRUE! I REALLY AM UPPER-RANK 6!
GEEZ!
BECAUSE I'M SO AMAZING!

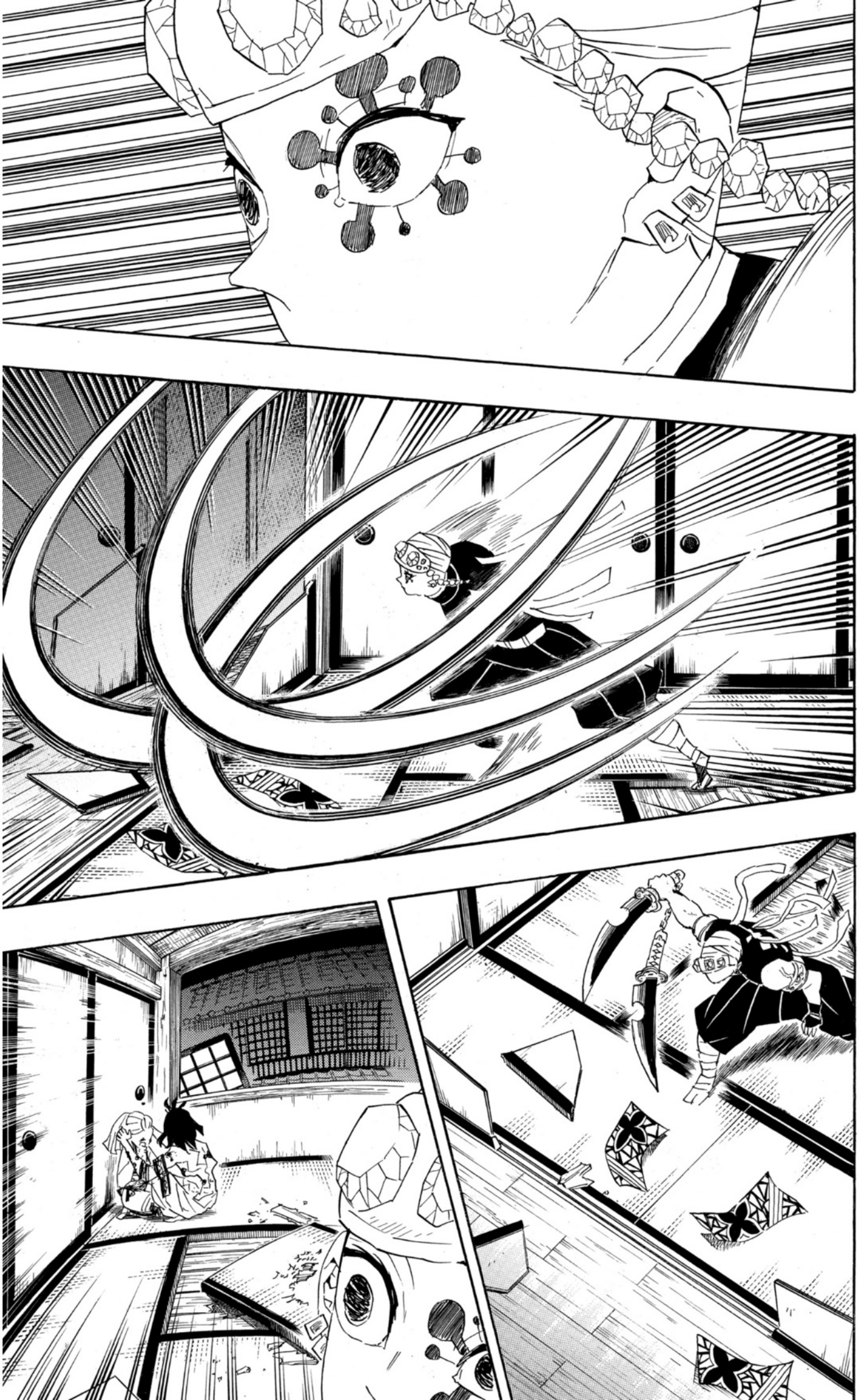

I CUT OFF HER HEAD, BUT HER BODY WON'T CRUMBLE.
SERIOUSLY? SHE'S CRYING LIKE A BABY.

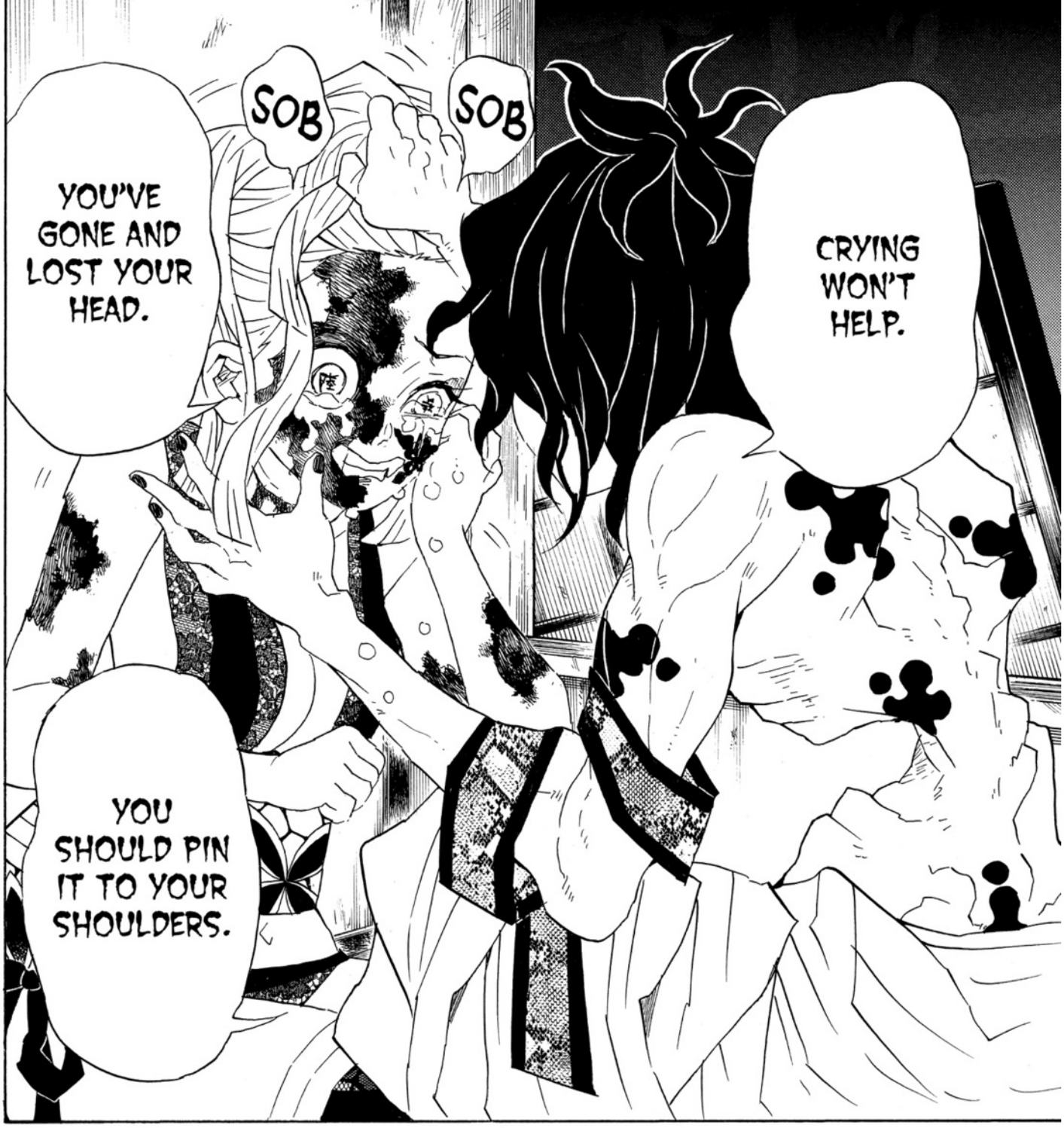
EVERYBODY, DIE!
BAM
DIE! DIE!
BAM
THUD
WAAAAAH!
WAAAAAH!
ROLL

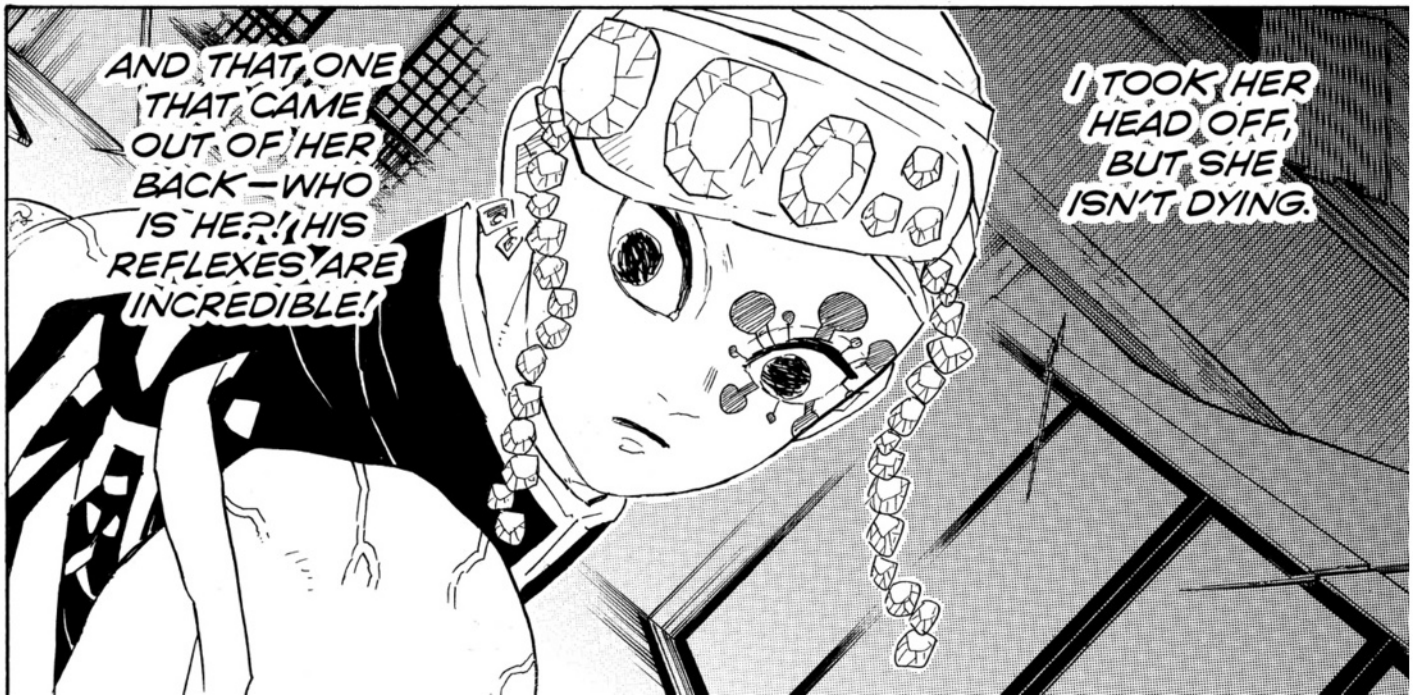
HOW LONG IS SHE GOING TO KEEP BABBLING?

GYUTARO, SAVE ME!
HE CUT OFF MY HEAD!

NNNNGGH
...



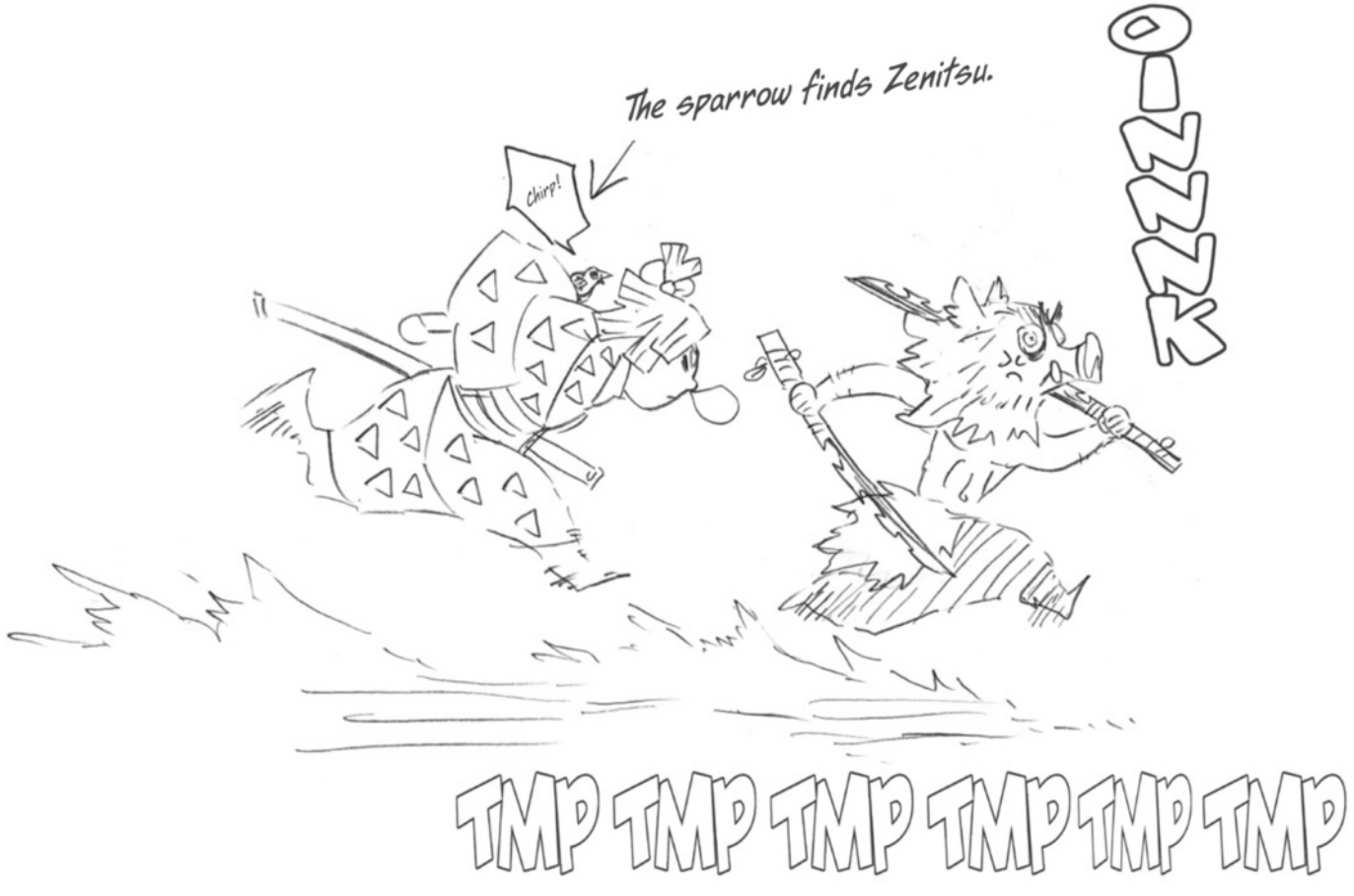

SOB
SOB
YOU'VE GONE AND LOST YOUR HEAD.
CRYING WON'T HELP.
YOU SHOULD PIN IT TO YOUR SHOULDERS.


AND THAT ONE THAT CAME OUT OF HER BACK—WHO IS HE?! HIS REFLEXES ARE INCREDIBLE!
I TOOK HER HEAD OFF, BUT SHE ISN'T DYING.

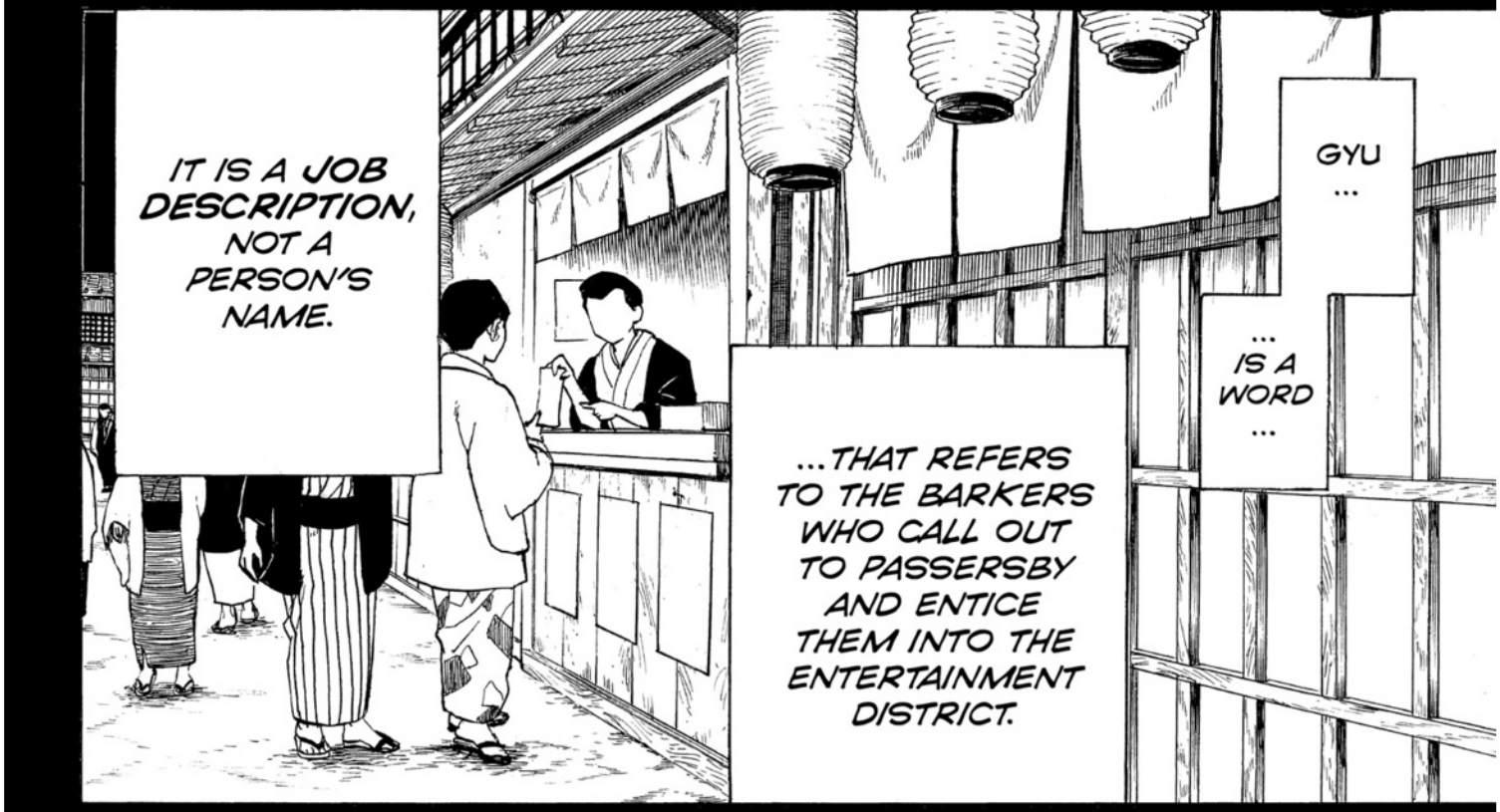
OH NO... YOUR FACE IS BURNED.
RUB
AND YOU WERE SO CUTE.
RUB
WHEN YOU HAVE AN ASSET LIKE THAT, YOU HAVE TO PROTECT IT.

H
WOW...
YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD.
DMP
THMP
YOU BLOCKED MY ATTACK...
DMP

AND I WAS REALLY TRYING TO KILL YOU.
YOU'RE GOOD.
YEAH... DEFINITELY GOOD.
HUH?


The sparrow finds Zenitsu.
Chirp!
ZZZZ-O
TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

CHAPTER 86:
GYUTARO

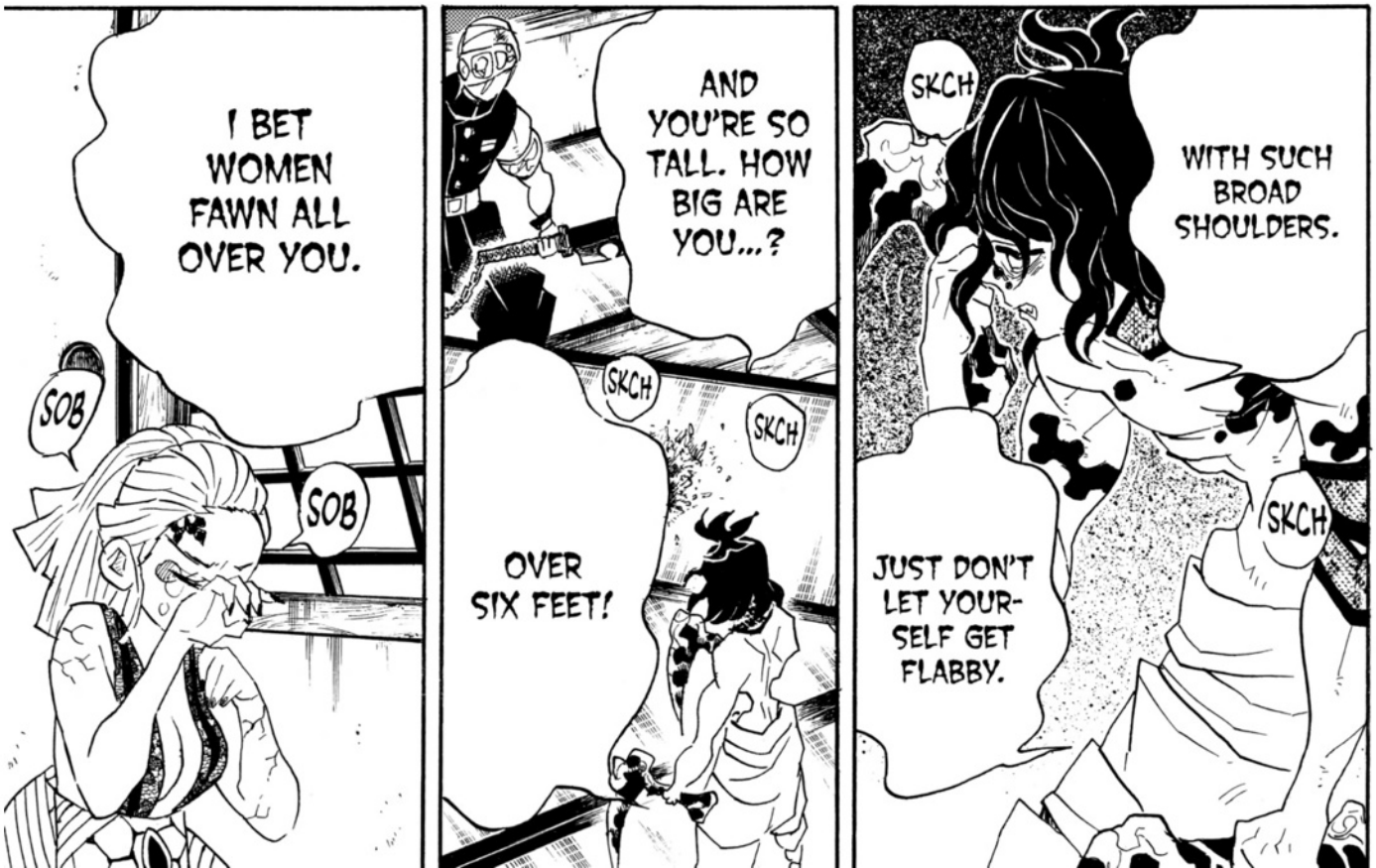

GYU
...
...
IS A
WORD
...
...THAT REFERS TO THE BARKERS WHO CALL OUT TO PASSERSBY AND ENTICE THEM INTO THE ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT.
IT IS A JOB DESCRIPTION, NOT A PERSON'S NAME.

GYUTARO WAS THE ONLY ONE...
...WHO TOOK THE TITLE OF HIS JOB FOR HIS NAME.

EVEN NOW, WHEN HE BARELY REMEMBERS HIS HUMAN LIFE...
...THAT'S STILL THE ONLY NAME HE HAS FOR HIMSELF.

SKCH
WELL, LOOK AT YOU!
SKCH

YOUR SKIN IS GOOD TOO. NO STAINS OR MARKS OR SCARS.
...
YOU HAVE SUCH A NICE FACE.


I BET WOMEN FAWN ALL OVER YOU.
SOB
SOB
AND YOU'RE SO TALL. HOW BIG ARE YOU...?
SKCH
SKCH
OVER SIX FEET!
SKCH
WITH SUCH BROAD SHOULDERS.
SKCH
JUST DON'T LET YOUR-SELF GET FLABBY.

SCRITCH
SCRATCH
I MUST ADMIT THAT I'M JEALOUS... TRULY JEALOUS.
AND I HOPE YOU GO PAINFULLY.
SNARL
JUST DIE ALREADY.
MAYBE FLAYED ALIVE WITH YOUR STOMACH SLICED OPEN...
SCRATCH

YOU GOTTA KILL THE ONES WHO BURNED ME TOO!
GYUTARO! IT'S NOT JUST HIM! THERE ARE MORE!

I FOUGHT AS HARD AS I COULD!
I REALLY TRIED, ALL ON MY OWN!
BUT THEY CAME ALONG AND MESSED IT ALL UP!
THEY GANGED UP ON ME!
YEAH... OH NO... WE CAN'T HAVE THAT.
SCRATCH
NOD
SCRATCH
NOD
MY ADORABLE LITTLE SISTER, TRYING AS HARD AS SHE COULD... LEFT WITH NO HEAD ON HER SHOULDERS.
I'LL KILL EVERYONE WHO MESSED WITH HER...
I'M GONNA COLLECT WHAT'S DUE.
WE'LL PAY YOU BACK FOR WHAT YOU DID TO US!

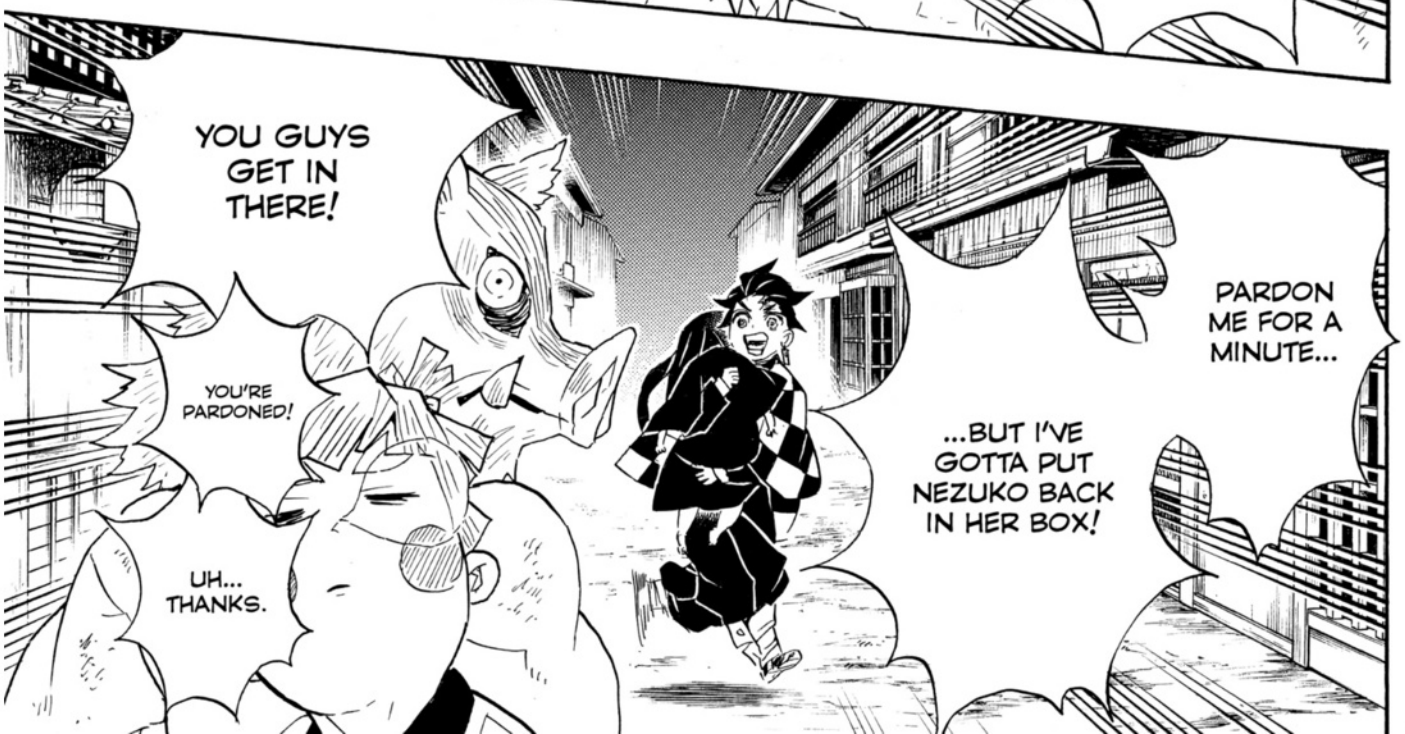
AND AS YOU LIE DYING, DON'T FORGET...
...THAT IT WAS GYUTARO WHO SENT YOU TO THE AFTERLIFE!

SMASH
?!
SICKLES?
WHAT ARE THOSE...?
HIT

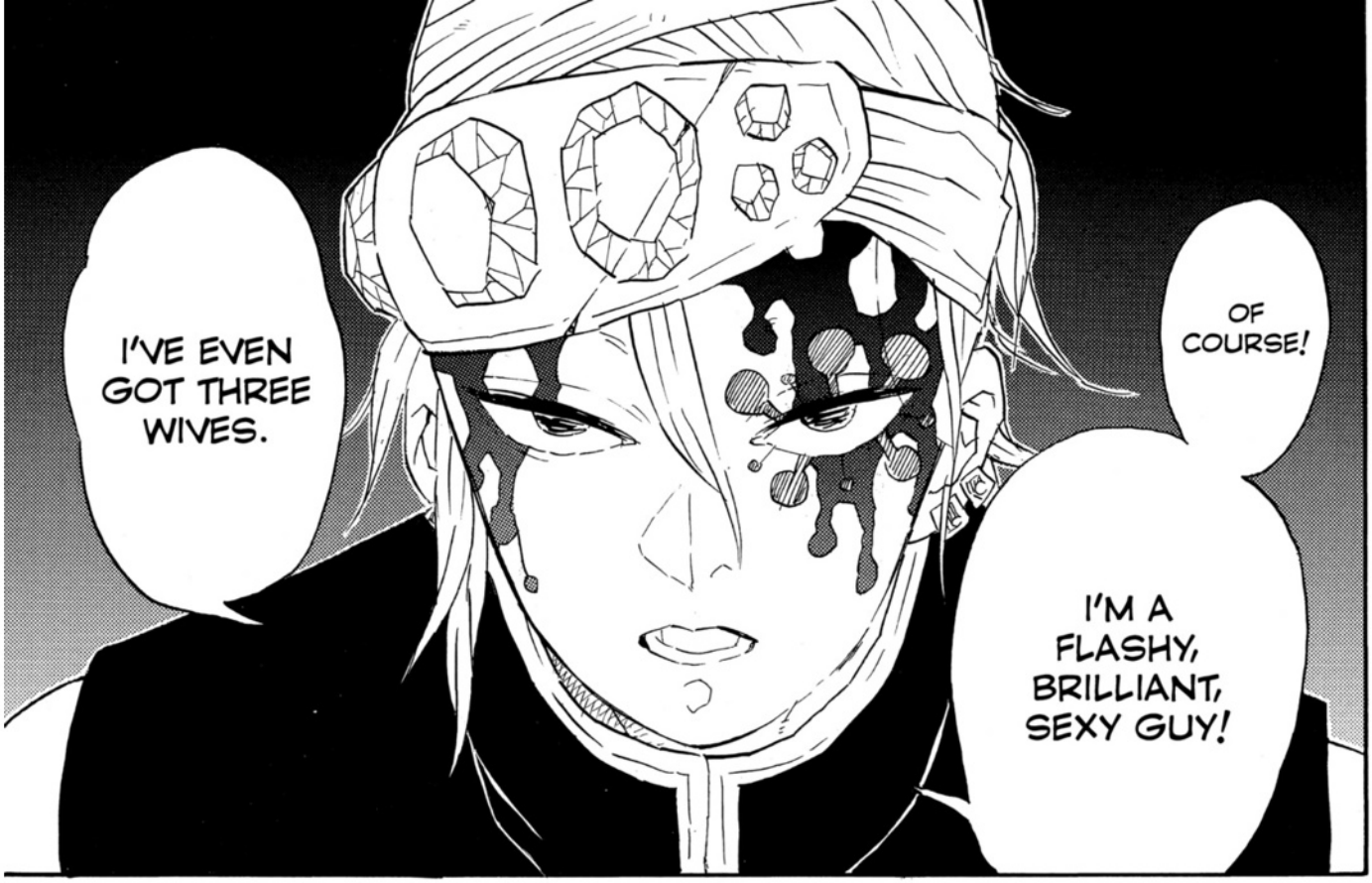
IS THERE A NEW DEMON? I SMELL UZUI'S BLOOD. WHAT'S GOING ON?
I HAVE TO HELP!
THEY'RE SPINNING AROUND...
...AND FLYING BACK! THEY DON'T BELONG TO THE OBI DEMON!
I MADE IT! I'M HERE!
TIP TIP TIP TIP
HEY, STUPID! GRAH!
YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!
TIP
TIP
INOSUKE!
ZENITSU!
WAIT... IS HE ASLEEP ?!
TIP
TIP

LEAVE THIS TO ME AND REST EASY! GRAH!
GO IN AND HELP UZUI!
ME— LORD INOSUKE!
I'M GONNA GO WILD!
HURRY!

HIS MIND IS EASILY INFLU-ENCED.
I'M GONNA BE REEEEEAL FLASHY!
Zenitsu


YOU GUYS GET IN THERE!
YOU'RE PARDONED!
UH... THANKS.
PARDON ME FOR A MINUTE...
...BUT I'VE GOTTA PUT NEZUKO BACK IN HER BOX!

SKCH
SKCH
SKCH
SKCH
SKCH
...A GOOD MAN.
YES.
I'M JEALOUS.
YOU REALLY ARE...
YOU LOOK SO COOL...
...AND YOU PROTECT PEOPLE.
YOU SAVE THEM.
I BET THEY SMOTHER YOU IN GRATITUDE.
THEY OWE YOU THEIR LIVES.


I'VE EVEN GOT THREE WIVES.
OF COURSE!
I'M A FLASHY, BRILLIANT, SEXY GUY!

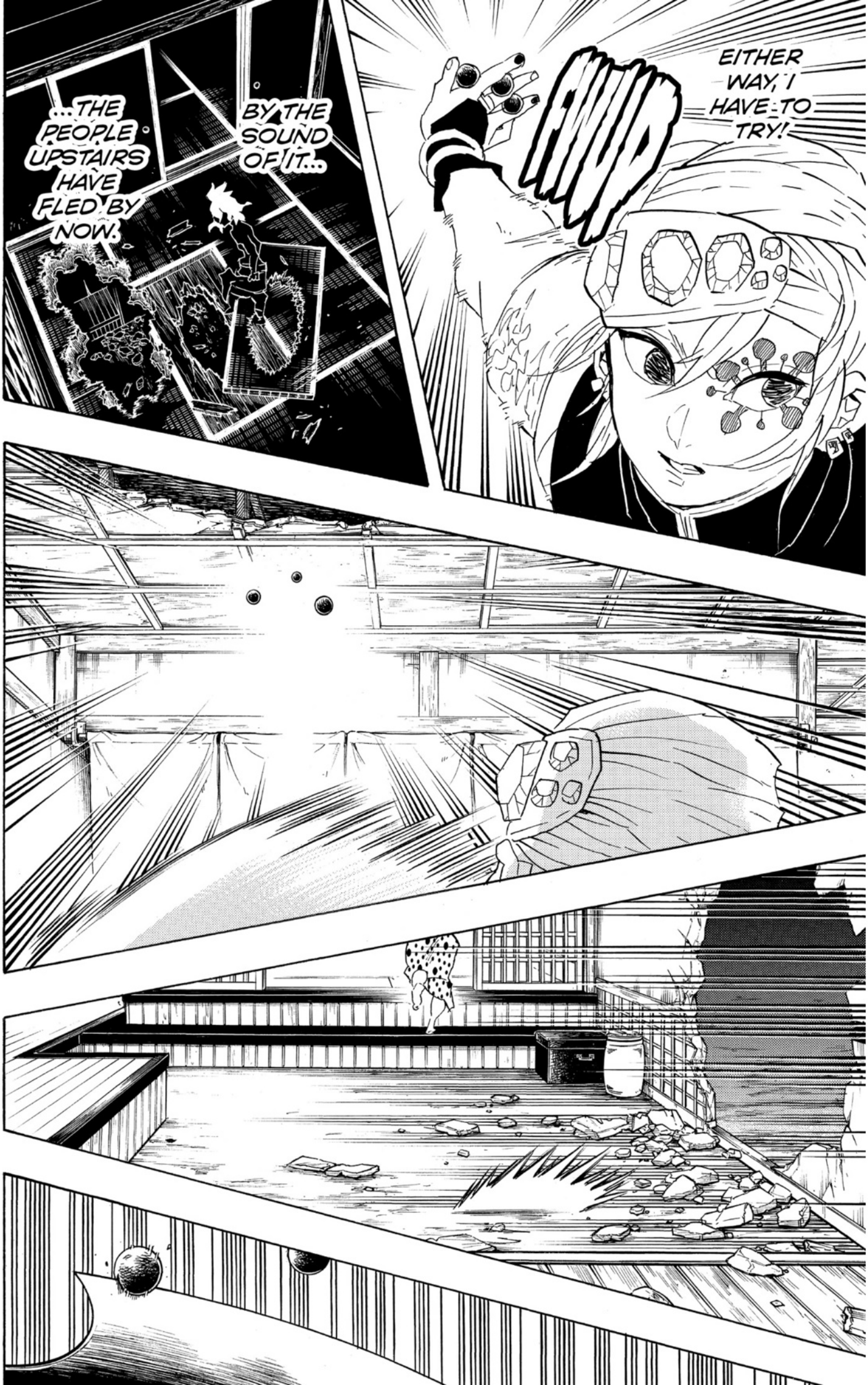
OKAY, THAT'S TOO MUCH! EVEN I CAN'T FORGIVE THAT!
YOU HAVE THREE WIVES?
SKSH
SKSH
SKSH

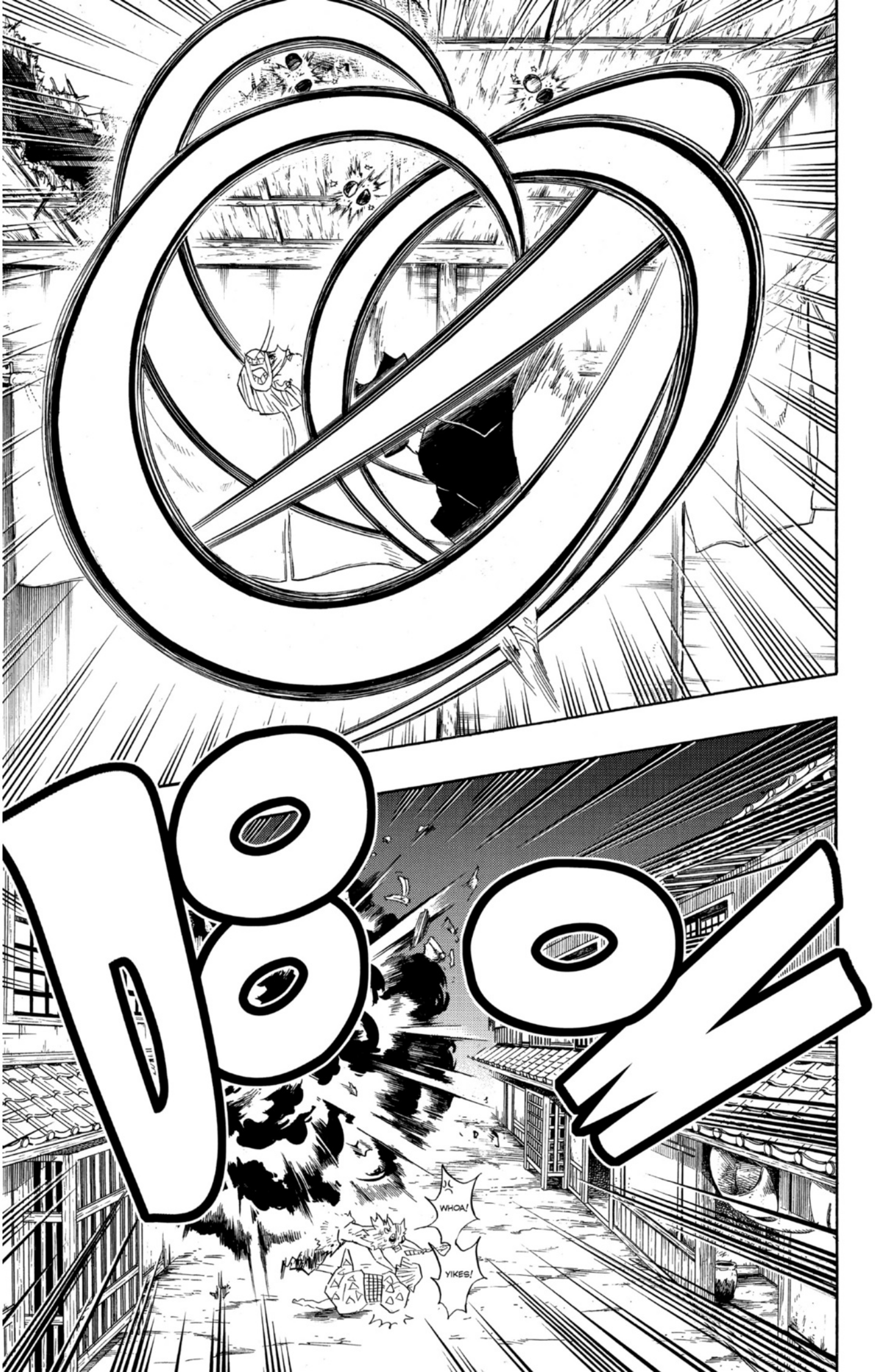
FLYING BLOOD SICKLES!
BLOOD DEMON ART
I CAN'T BLOCK THEM ALL AND PROTECT THE OTHERS!
THIN BLADES OF BLOOD... AND SO MANY!

BOOM
AND DROPPED TO THE FIRST FLOOR.
WHAT?-HE EXPLODED!
!!
WHOMP
R-RIGHT!
RUN! HIDE YOUR-SELF!
YAAAAH!

NICE TRY, BUT YOU CAN'T GET AWAY!
FLYING BLOOD SICKLES... TURN!

THINKING
THE SLASHING BLOOD BLADES FLY AROUND UNTIL THEY HIT!
HE DOESN'T JUST THROW THEM... HE CONTROLS THEM!
BROTHER AND SISTER ...
SHE DIDN'T DIE EVEN WHEN I CUT OFF HER HEAD.
THEY'RE SIBLINGS, SO MAYBE...
...HE'S THE MAIN BODY? IF I CUT OFF THE BROTHER'S HEAD...
...WILL THEY BOTH DIE?


...THE PEOPLE UPSTAIRS HAVE FLED BY NOW.
BY THE SOUND OF IT...
EITHER WAY, I HAVE TO TRY!
FWP


BOOM
WHOA!
YIKES!

IRASH
OH WELL...
THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE EASY.
SHF
SHF
SHF
SHF

BECAUSE NOW
WE FIGHT
AS ONE!

These two are trying to join the fight.
Stop the bam-bam boom-boom or we can't get in there!
HRRR GRRR
*He means the explosions.

CHAPTER 87: GATHERING

CHAPTER 87:
GATHERING

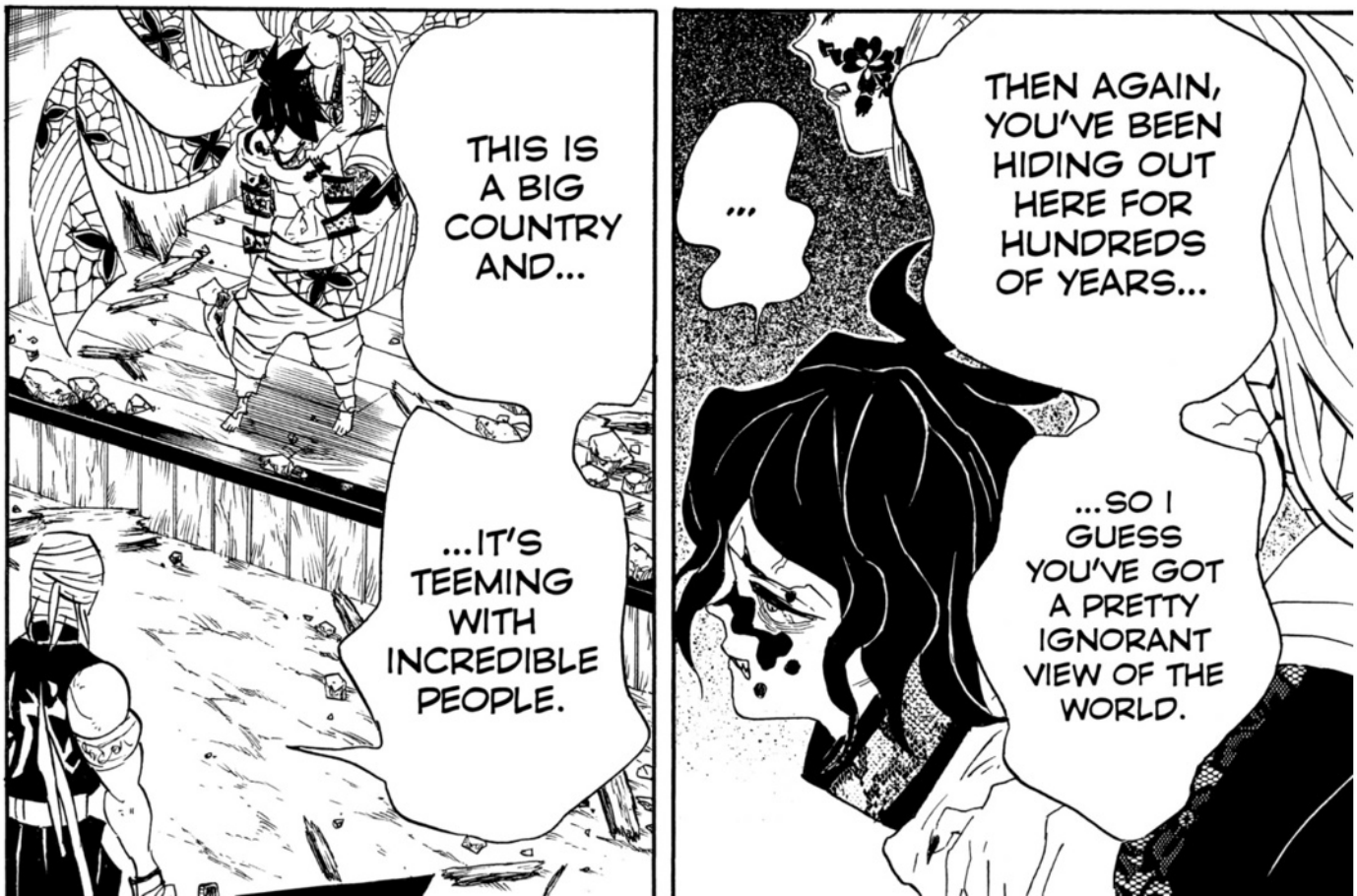
DEMON
SLAYER
KIMETSU NO YAIBA

YOU'RE DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER HASHIRA I'VE KILLED.
YOU'RE DIFFERENT.

I MEAN IT, I'M JEALOUS. I WANT YOU DEAD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
BLESSED WITH TALENT.
I BET YOU WERE SPECIAL SINCE YOU WERE BORN.

"TALENT"?
HA!
...

DO I LOOK LIKE I HAVE TALENT TO YOU?
YOU'VE GOT A PRETTY ROSY OUTLOOK ON LIFE IF THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK.


THEN AGAIN, YOU'VE BEEN HIDING OUT HERE FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS...
...
...SO I GUESS YOU'VE GOT A PRETTY IGNORANT VIEW OF THE WORLD.
THIS IS A BIG COUNTRY AND...
...IT'S TEEMING WITH INCREDIBLE PEOPLE.

SOME ARE A MYSTERY...
...AND A FEW HAVE A NATURAL WAY WITH THE SWORD...
...AND BECOME A HASHIRA IN TWO MONTHS.
SO I'M CHOSEN? GIMME A BREAK.
YOU HAVE NO CLUE HOW MUCH I'VE LOST OVER THE YEARS!
THAT'S RIGHT.
I CAN'T BE LIKE RENGOKU.
URRRGH!
THEN HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN IT?

WHY HAVEN'T YOU DIED YET?
MY BLOOD SICKLES ARE POISONOUS...
...BUT NO MATTER HOW LONG I WAIT, YOU DON'T FEEL ANY EFFECTS!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
SKCH
SKCH
SKCH
SKCH

I'M FROM A FAMILY OF SHINOBI— *NINJA*.
I'VE BUILT UP A RESIS-TANCE TO POISON.
THEY DIED OUT IN THE EDO PERIOD!
ENOUGH LIES!

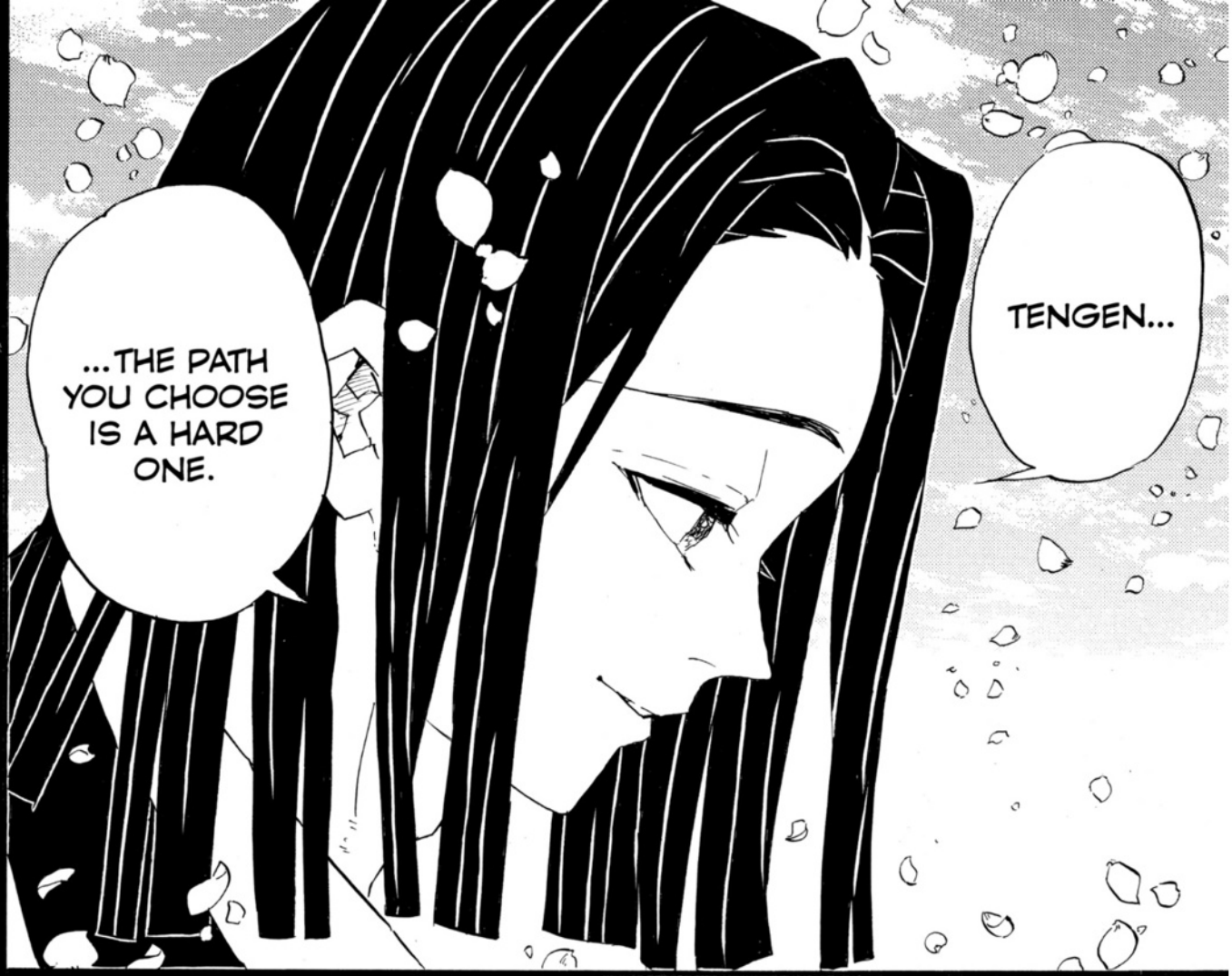
IT'S NO LIE.
SHINOBI STILL EXIST. I HAD NINE SIBLINGS.
BY THE TIME I WAS 15, SEVEN WERE DEAD.

THE ONLY SURVIVORS WERE ME AND MY YOUNGER BROTHER.
MY LITTLE BROTHER ...
...WAS JUST LIKE MY FATHER. HE WAS JUST AS COLD AND HEARTLESS.

MY FATHER WAS AFRAID THE CLAN WAS DOOMED ...
...SO HE FORCED US ALL THROUGH INTENSE TRAINING.

I COULD NEVER BE LIKE THAT.

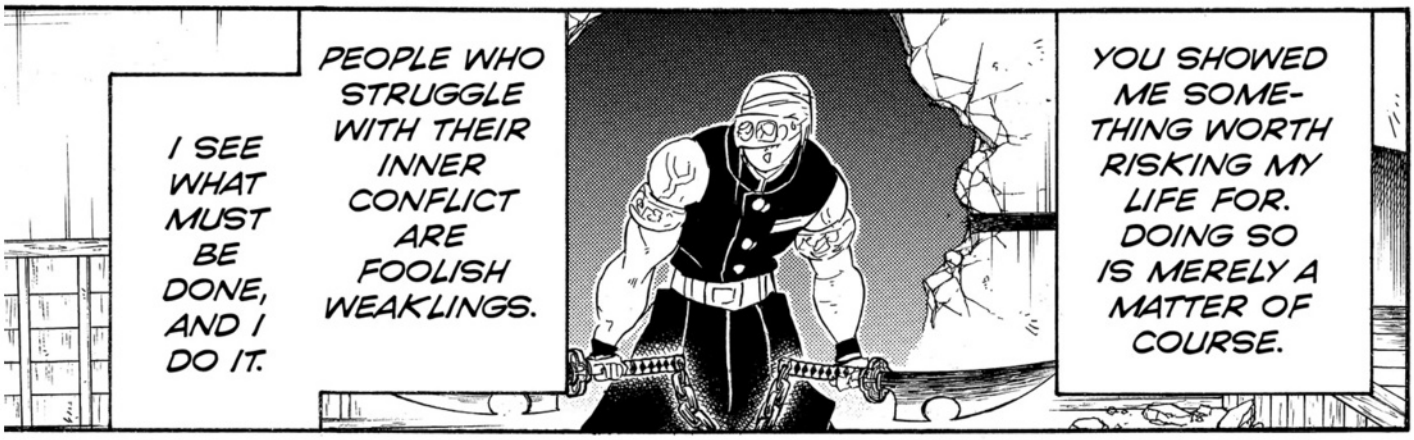
HE HAD NO RESPECT FOR OTHERS.
MINIONS WERE EXPENDABLE, AND HIS WIFE WAS JUST FOR MAKING BABIES.
HE WAS STUB-BORN AND COLD.


TENGEN...
...THE PATH YOU CHOOSE IS A HARD ONE.

IT IS HARD TO REJECT THE VALUES YOU LEARNED AS A CHILD. YOU MUST ALWAYS FIGHT YOURSELF...
...AT THE SAME TIME THAT YOU'RE FIGHTING ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE.

BUT IN SPITE OF YOUR MANY INNER CONFLICTS...
...AND CONTRADICTIONS...
...I TRUST YOU TO ALWAYS FIGHT FOR ME AND TO PROTECT INNOCENT LIVES.

THANK YOU, TENGEN...
YOU ARE A WONDER-FUL CHILD.
MASTER, IT IS I WHO AM THANKFUL ...
...TO YOU.


YOU SHOWED ME SOME-THING WORTH RISKING MY LIFE FOR. DOING SO IS MERELY A MATTER OF COURSE.
PEOPLE WHO STRUGGLE WITH THEIR INNER CONFLICT ARE FOOLISH WEAKLINGS.
I SEE WHAT MUST BE DONE, AND I DO IT.

HEY!
YOU!
HEY?

HEE HEE!
IT'S JUST TAKING EFFECT VERY SLOWLY. YOU ALMOST BLUFFED ME INTO THINKING THAT IT WASN'T!
HEE HEE HEE!
HEE HEE HEE!
THAT POISON'S WORKING AFTER ALL, ISN'T IT?
I'M IN PEAK CONDITION. I COULD DANCE AND SING AND EAT A DOZEN BOWLS OF TEMPURA RIGHT NOW— WITH STYLE!
SHF
NO, IT'S NOT WORKING AT ALL. SHALL WE DANCE?

NOBODY KICKS MY SISTER!
YOU SCUM!

KABOOM

SWISH
THE SWORD CAN STRETCH...
!
...BUT HE'S HOLDING IT BY THE BLADE!

GYAAAA!
THOSE BEADS EXPLODE WITH ENOUGH FORCE TO HURT DEMONS.
AND THEY GO OFF AT THE SLIGHTEST IMPACT.
SHE ALWAYS GETS HURT FIRST!
HER OBI ACCIDENTALLY CUT ONE.

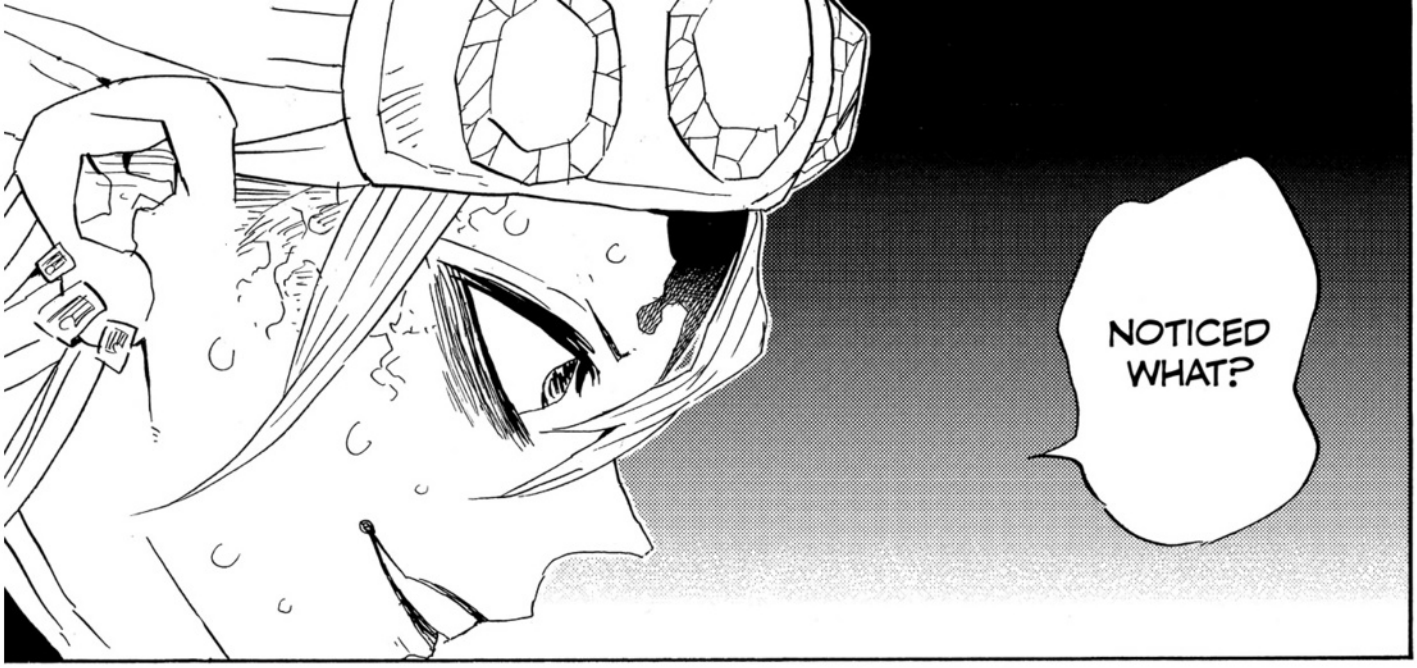
GRIP
NTA
NE
WHAT A STRONG GRIP!
SHAG
SHL
TSK!
I DIDN'T FINISH OFF THIS ONE!
PLIP

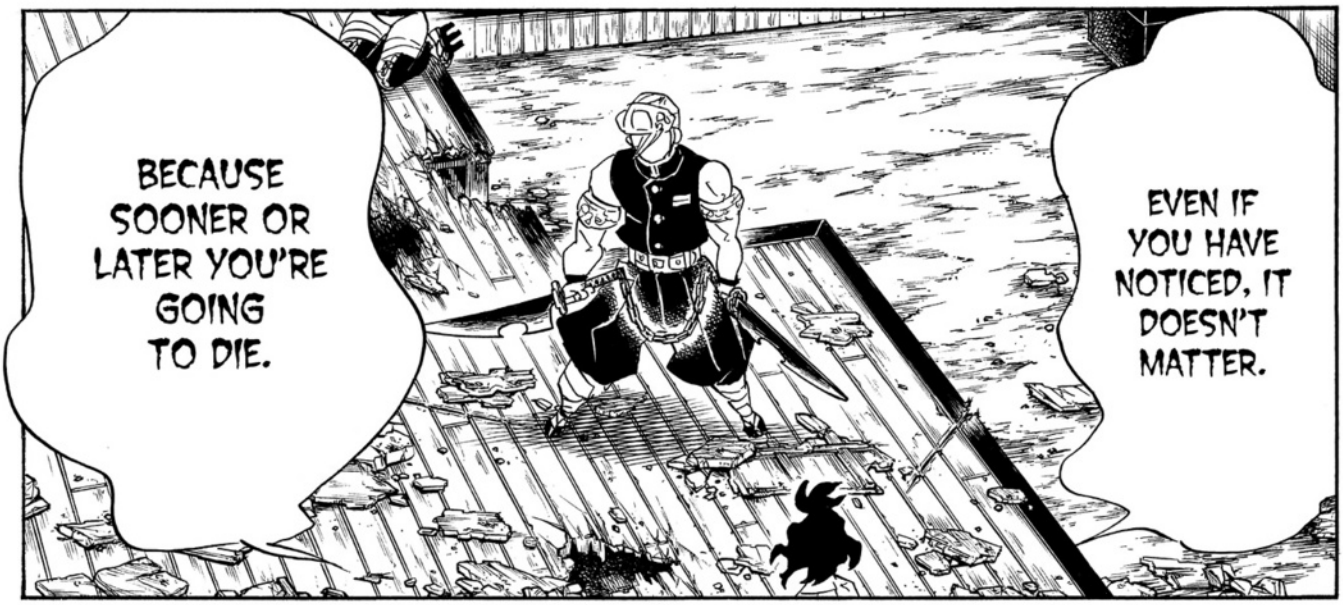
GYAAAH!
THAT BIG JERK SLICED MY NECK AGAIN!
THIS IS SO UNFAIR!
WHY DO I ALWAYS GET CUT?!
WAAAH!
...
WAAHHH!
OH. SO YOU'VE NOTICED?

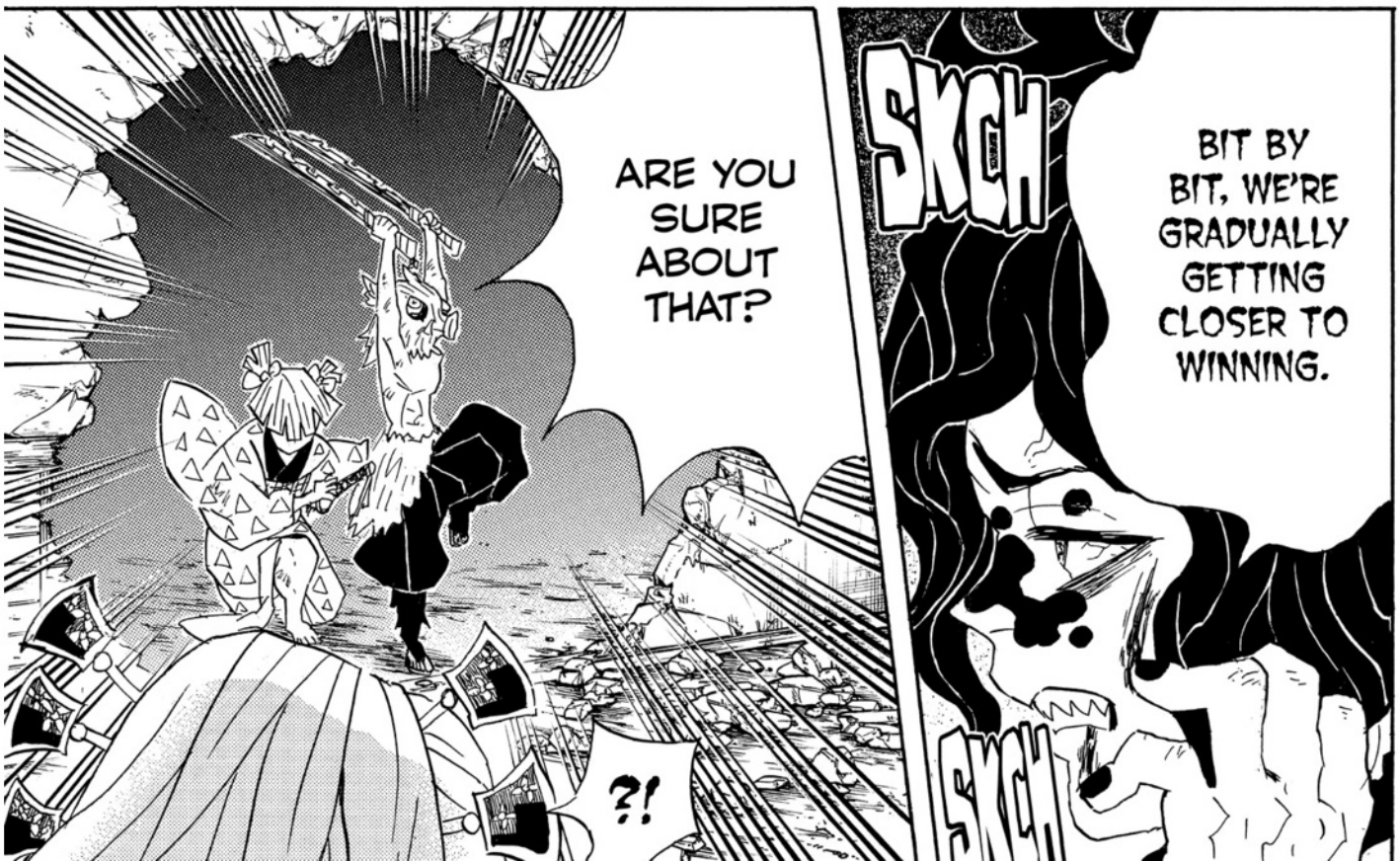
TA-DAH
OH... AND MY UNDERLING TOO.
YOU HAVEN'T TAKEN ME INTO ACCOUNT!
NEVER FORGET— LORD INOSUKE!

YOU'RE WHO EXACTLY ?
GRRR

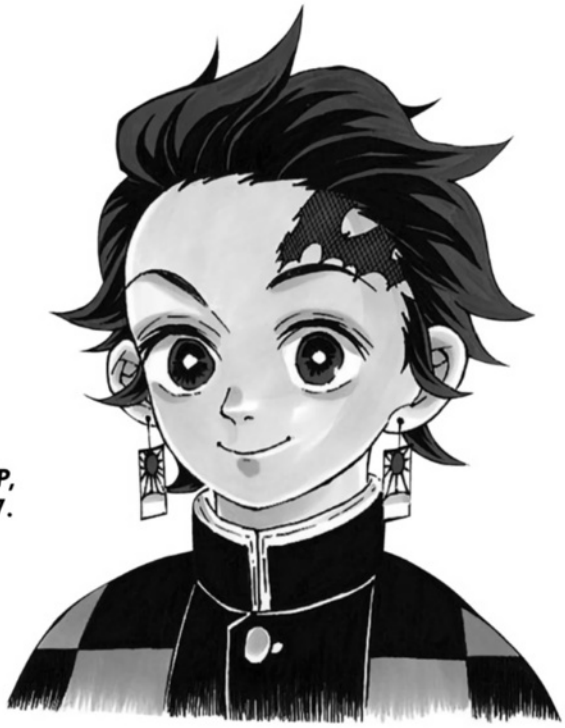
WAMA


NOTICED WHAT?


BECAUSE SOONER OR LATER YOU'RE GOING TO DIE.
EVEN IF YOU HAVE NOTICED, IT DOESN'T MATTER.


ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THAT?
?!
SKCH
BIT BY BIT, WE'RE GRADUALLY GETTING CLOSER TO WINNING.
SKCH

FROM *WEEKLY SHONEN JUMP*,
COMBINED ISSUE 2/3, 2018.



FROM *WEEKLY SHONEN JUMP*,
COMBINED ISSUE 36/37, 2017.

DEMON SLAYER:
KIMETSU NO YAIBA

BY KOYOHARU GOTOUGE

FROM *WEEKLY SHONEN JUMP*,
COMBINED ISSUE 4/5, 2018.

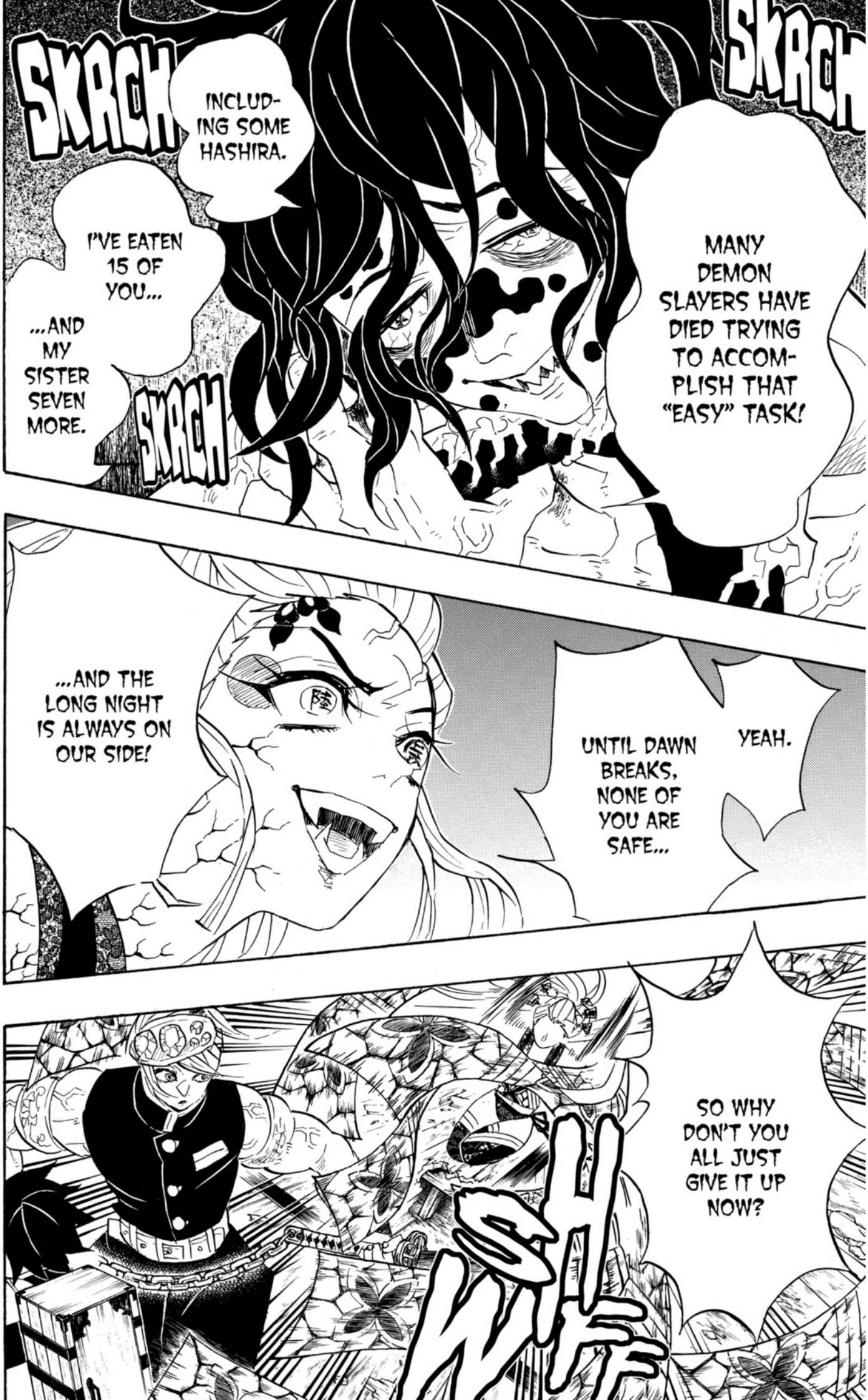
CHAPTER 88: HOW TO DEFEAT THEM
THIS WAY!
EVERY-BODY RUN!

SKRCH
SKRCH
EVERYONE DIES, SO DON'T BOTHER GETTING ALL WORKED UP.
NO MATTER HOW MANY LOW-RANKERS YOU BRING, ALL OF YOUR FUTURES ARE BLEAK.
HMMPH
SKRCH
ARE THEY BOTH UPPER-RANK 6? ARE THEY JOINED SOMEHOW?
HFF
THERE ARE TWO DEMONS! WHAT'S GOING ON?
AND WHY ISN'T THE OBI DEMON DEAD?
HFF
THAT GUY IS DEFINITELY THE CORE ONE.
HE SMELLS DIFFER-ENT. THE IMPACT OF HIS SCENT...
IT MAKES MY THROAT NUMB.

CHK
EITHER WAY...
IT DOESN'T MATTER.
... AFRAID ?
AM I EXHAUSTED ...
MY HAND IS SHAKING.
...OR...
...AND WE'RE GOING TO WIN!
WE'RE THE DEMON SLAYER CORPS...
POISONED ?!
?!
...IF THE HASHIRA YOU'RE COUNTING ON IS POISONED!
YOU CAN'T WIN...

AND DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE HUMANS!
LISTEN UP, DEMONETTE! WE'LL WIN AND WE'LL DO IT EASILY!
I MAY BE POISONED, BUT I'M STILL MORE THAN YOUR EQUAL!
YEAH! THAT'S RIGHT!
HA HA!
GRR
THEY'LL STAND TRUE TO THE END!
THESE THREE ARE THE VERY BEST OF ALL MY MINIONS!
CUT OFF THEIR LIMBS AND THEY'LL FIGHT WITH THEIR TEETH!

BESIDES, I'VE ALREADY FIGURED OUT HOW TO BEAT YOU TWO!
IT'S CUTTING OFF BOTH OF YOUR HEADS SIMUL-TANEOUSLY!
I'M RIGHT, AREN'T I? YOU KNOW I AM!
OTHERWISE, YOU'D JUST ABSORB YOUR LITTLE SISTER AND CONSOLIDATE YOUR POWERS! BUT THAT'D MAKE YOU VULNERABLE!
HA HA HA
YOU GUYS ARE SO SIMPLE!
HA HA HA!! I'VE GOT IT!
HURF
SNORRT!!
WE'VE PRACTICALLY WON ALREADY!

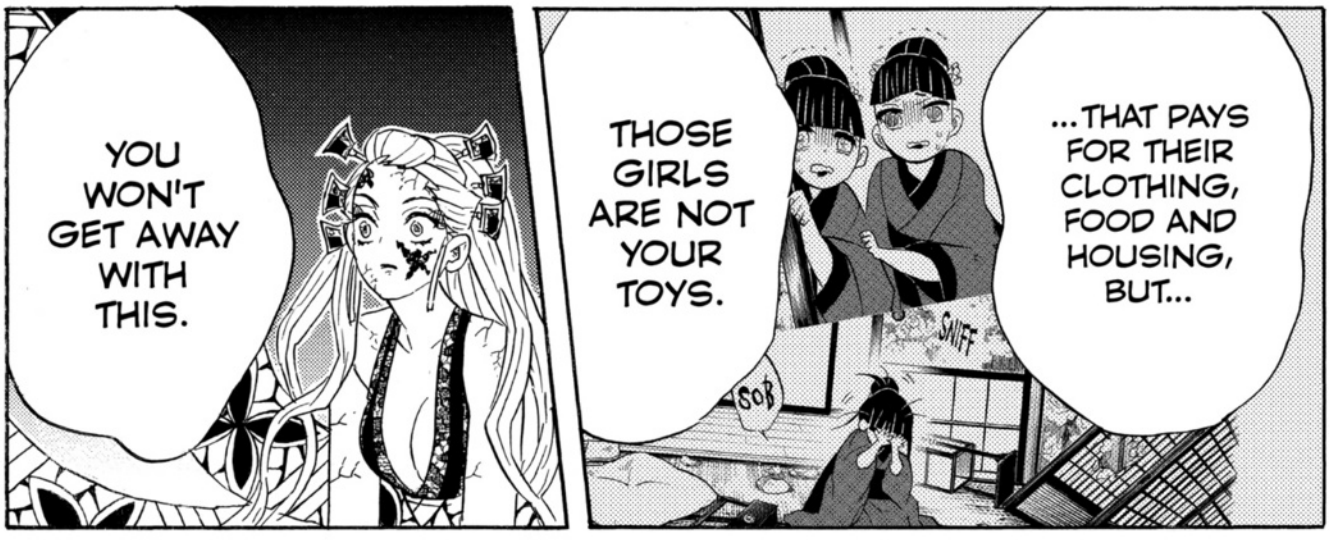

SKRCH
INCLUD-
ING SOME
HASHIRA.
I'VE EATEN
15 OF
YOU...
...AND
MY
SISTER
SEVEN
MORE.
SKRCH
SKRCH
MANY
DEMON
SLAYERS HAVE
DIED TRYING
TO ACCOM-
PLISH THAT
"EASY" TASK!
...AND THE
LONG NIGHT
IS ALWAYS ON
OUR SIDE!
UNTIL DAWN
BREAKS,
NONE OF
YOU ARE
SAFE...
YEAH.
SO WHY
DON'T YOU
ALL JUST
GIVE IT UP
NOW?
SHK

ZENITSU!

HURF
SNORT
YOU GUYS HANDLE THAT *MANTIS*!
LEAVE THE WORM-WOMAN TO ME AND SLEEPY-HEAD!
LET'S GO!
SHHK
...
WE WILL.
WHSH
WATCH YOUR-SELVES!
NOT IF MY LITTLE SISTER HAS ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT IT.

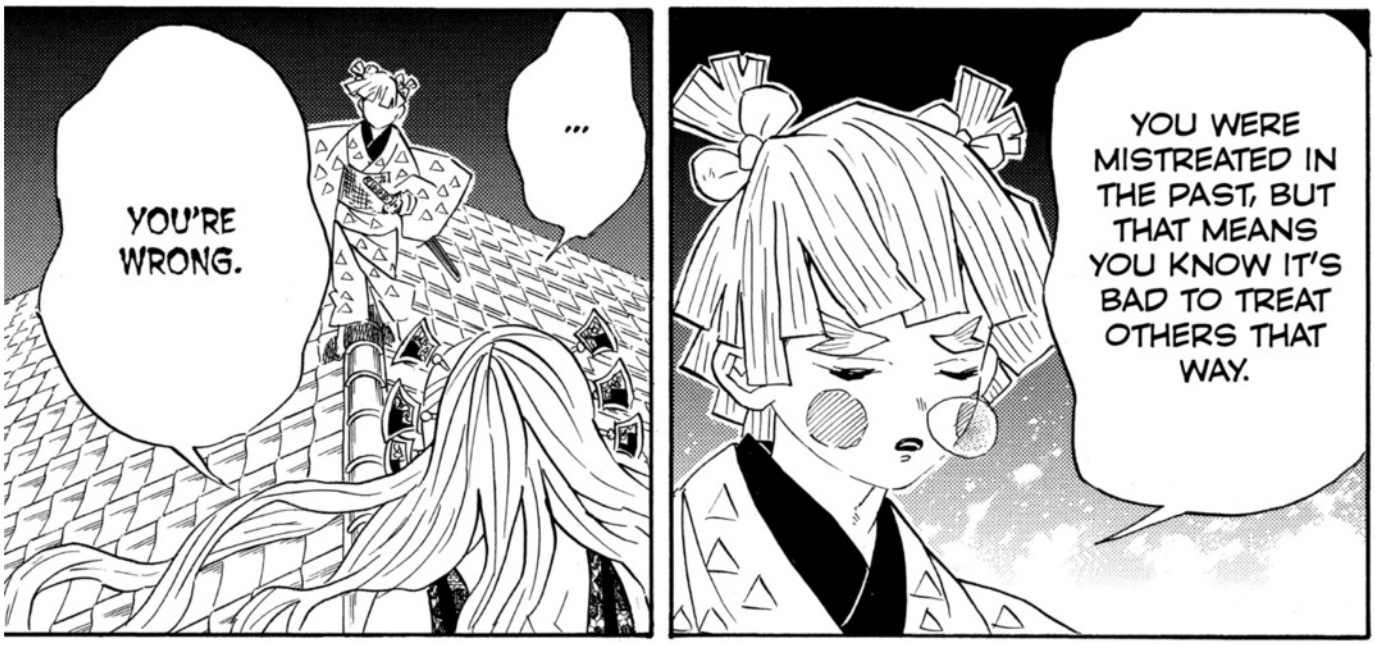
YOU!
BEFORE YOU DIE, I HAVE A TASK FOR YOU.
THUD

APOLOGIZE TO THE GIRL WHOSE EAR YOU NEARLY TORE OFF. IT MAY BE YOUR MONEY...


YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS.
THOSE GIRLS ARE NOT YOUR TOYS.
...THAT PAYS FOR THEIR CLOTHING, FOOD AND HOUSING, BUT...
SNIFF
SOB

AND WHAT MAKES YOU THINK AN UGLY THING LIKE YOU CAN TALK TO ME LIKE AN EQUAL?
SPARE ME THE BORING LECTURE.

IN THE ENTERTAIN-MENT DISTRICT, WOMEN ARE ALWAYS BEING BOUGHT AND SOLD.
THEIR OWNERS CAN SELL THEM, BUY THEM OR BREAK THEM.
THOSE WHO PROVIDE NO VALUE DON'T DESERVE TO BE TREATED LIKE HUMANS. THE UGLY HAVE NO RIGHT TO EAT.


YOU WERE MISTREATED IN THE PAST, BUT THAT MEANS YOU KNOW IT'S BAD TO TREAT OTHERS THAT WAY.
...
YOU'RE WRONG.

THE SUFFERINGS OF MY PAST WERE LESSONS...
...ON WHAT TO DO TO OTHERS AS REVENGE!
IF I DON'T CAUSE MISERY EQUAL TO MY OWN UNHAPPINESS, I'LL NEVER BALANCE THE SCALES!

THAT'S HOW IT IS WHEN YOU'RE A DEMON!
AND WE KILL ANYONE WHO TRIES TO TELL US OTHERWISE!
AND IN THE SAME WAY...
...WE'LL SLIT YOUR THROATS TOO.

HE POISONED UZUI...
I HAVE TO PROTECT HIM!
BUT THEN, I AM FACING AN UPPER-RANK 6 DEMON!
STAND FIRM!
SUCH POWER-FUL EVIL!
I'M COVERED IN GOOSE BUMPS!
THE MOMENT HE MOVES EVEN THE TINIEST BIT...
I'LL SWING MY SWORD THE MOMENT HE MOVES.

WHAM!
BAM
BAM

ZOOM!!
STRIKE!
NOW!
DODGE!
DODGE!
BEND
BACK!!
BEND!!!

HFF
HFF
HFF
WHAT AM I DOING?! HE HAD TO DEFEND ME! I'M HOLDING HIM BACK!
ドクン
SHIT

AHHH
HHH

UP ABOVE... A SWARM OF OBI!
!

AH HA HA HA HA HA!
I CAN SEE EVERYTHING! EVERY MOVE YOU MAKE!
WITH GYUTARO AWAKE NOW...
...I CAN USE MY FULL STRENGTH!

THMP
JUST SHUT UP! I CAN'T STAND YOUR SCREECH-ING VOICE!
THEY AREN'T NEARLY AS GOOD AS YOU SAID. THAT WON'T DO. THAT WON'T DO AT ALL!
HEH HEH HEH...
YOU WERE LYING ABOUT THEIR CAPABILITY AS *TSUGUKO*.

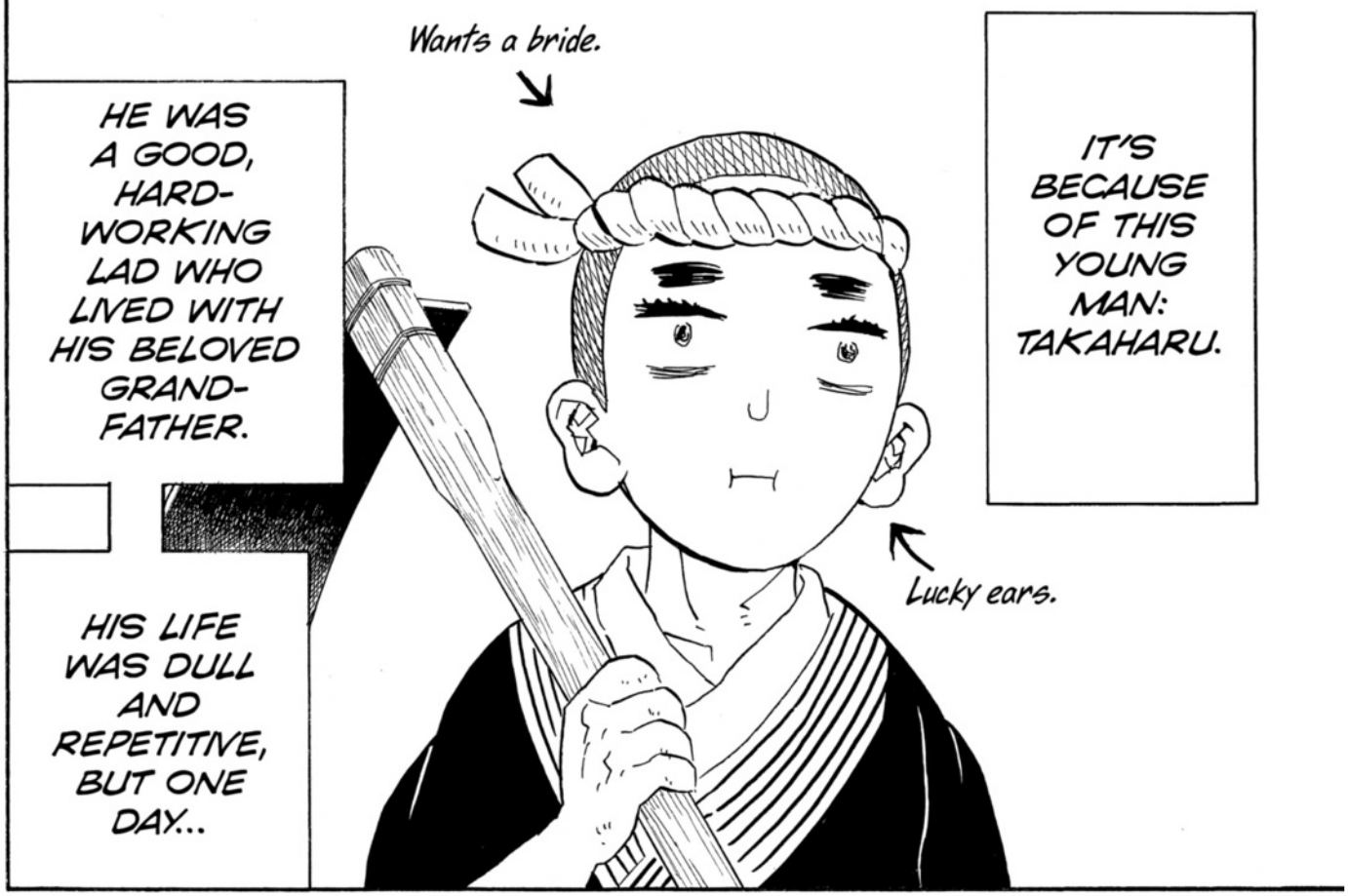
ALL RIGHT, LET'S SING!
IS THAT SOME KIND OF MONSTER ?!
YOU CAN SING A SONG ABOUT FLYING CARP STREAM-ERS.
NO. A SONG, LIKE THIS...
DO YOU KNOW ANY SONGS, INOSUKE?
WOOT!
TODAY IS CHIL-DREN'S DAY! LET'S SING!
YES! I'LL KILL YOU!
SO WHAT!
...CARRRP...
HIGH-ERRR... THAN ROOF-TOPS...
... STRE-EEAM-ERRRS ...
GRND GRND
LET'S DECORATE WITH FLOWERS! PEACH BLOS-SOMS!
La la...
LET'S TURN ON THE LIGHTS! LAMPS WITH PAPER SHADES!
YOU TOO?!
TANJIRO...
AND YOU'RE OFF-KEY! UGH!
Urgh!
THAT SONG IS FOR GIRLS' DAY!
YOUR PITCH RISES AT THE END OF EVERY VERSE!

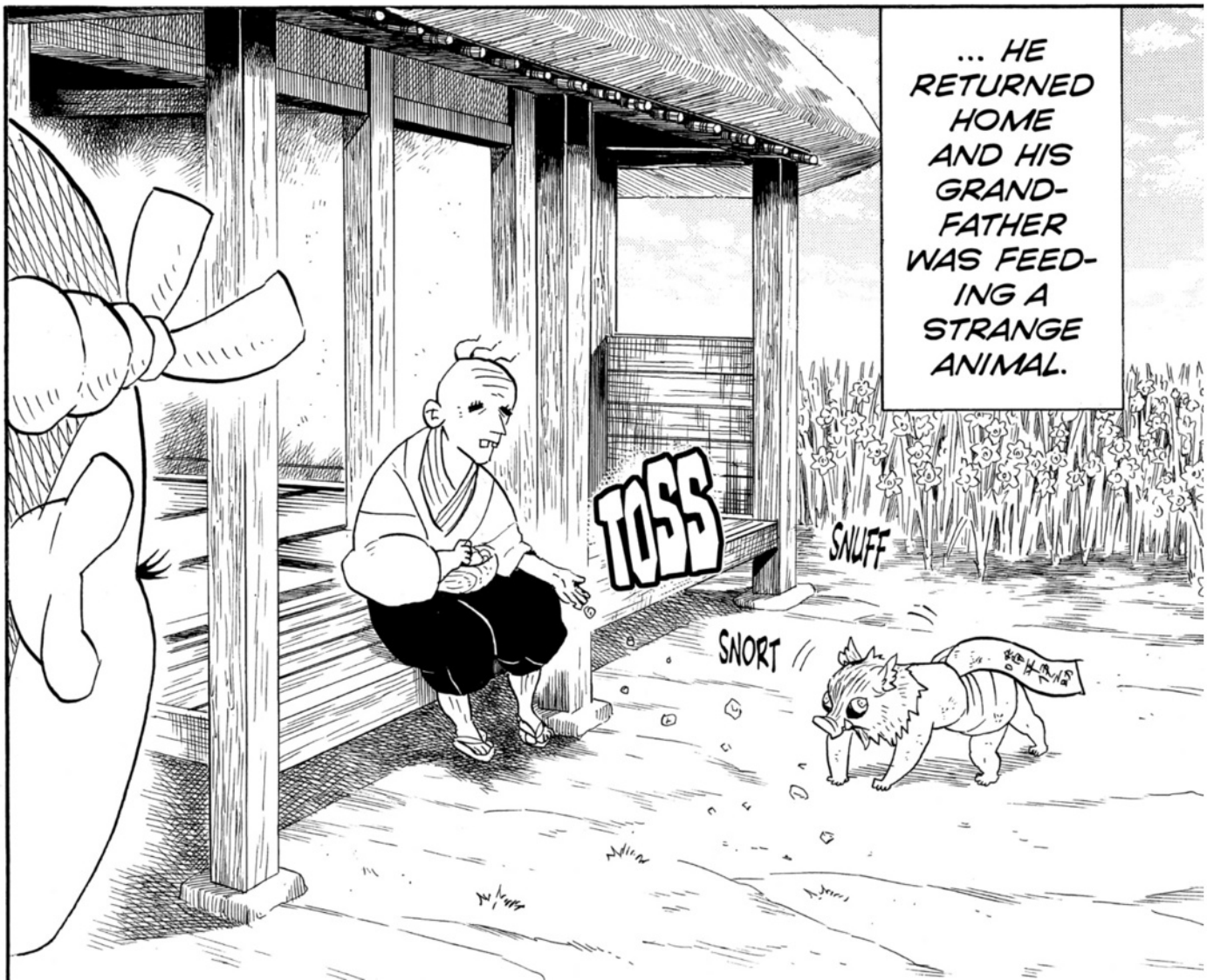
FIRST APPEARED IN *KIDS JC: LOADS OF JUMP COMICS NEW MATERIAL!!* (2017)

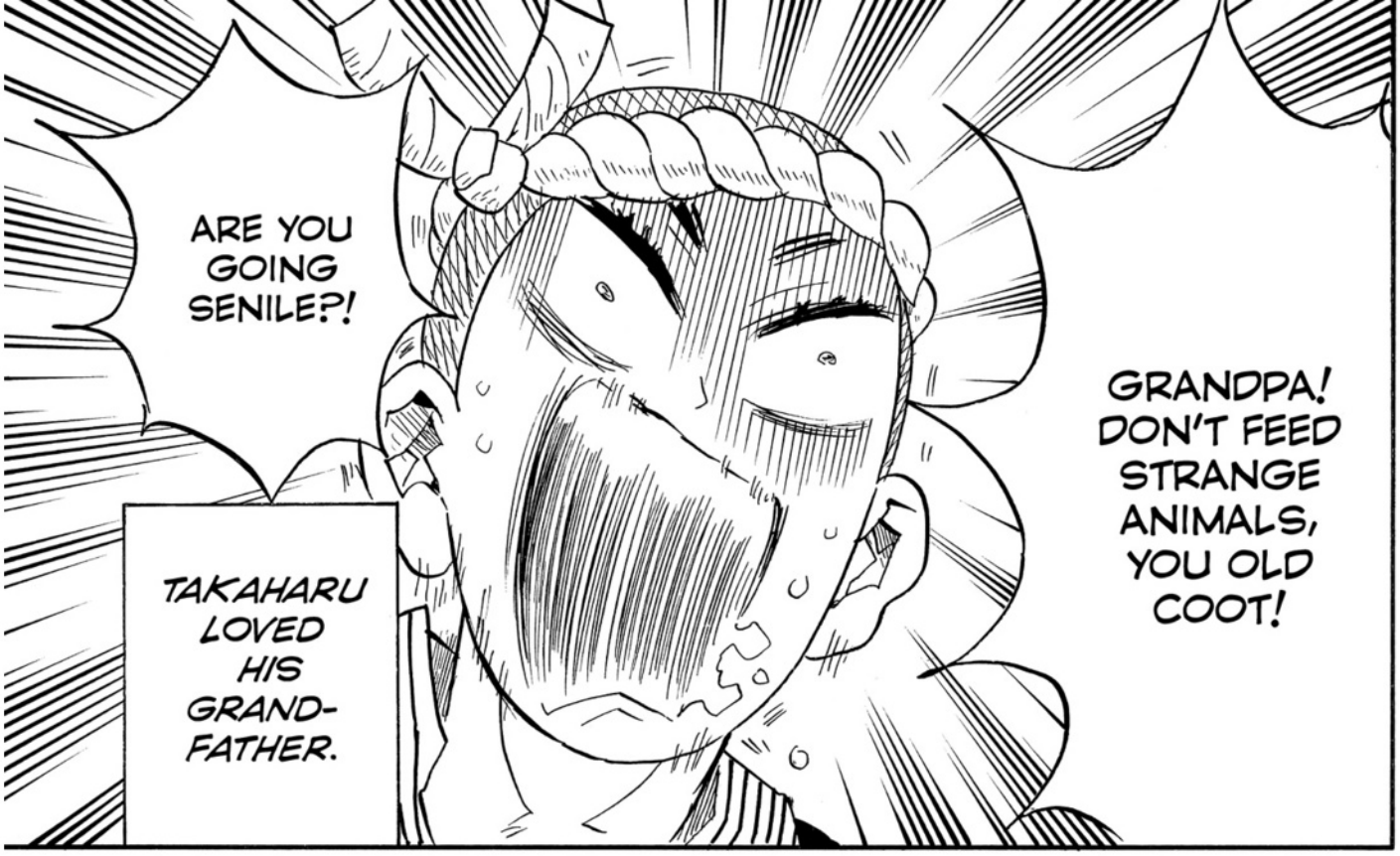
INOSUKE HASHIBIRA WAS A BOY RAISED BY WILD BOARS.
I DON'T KNOW WHY THE BOARS WERE RAISING INOSUKE.
MAYBE THE MOTHER BOAR LOST HER CHILDREN. IT DOESN'T MATTER.

BONUS CHAPTER: INOSUKE'S FAIRY TALE

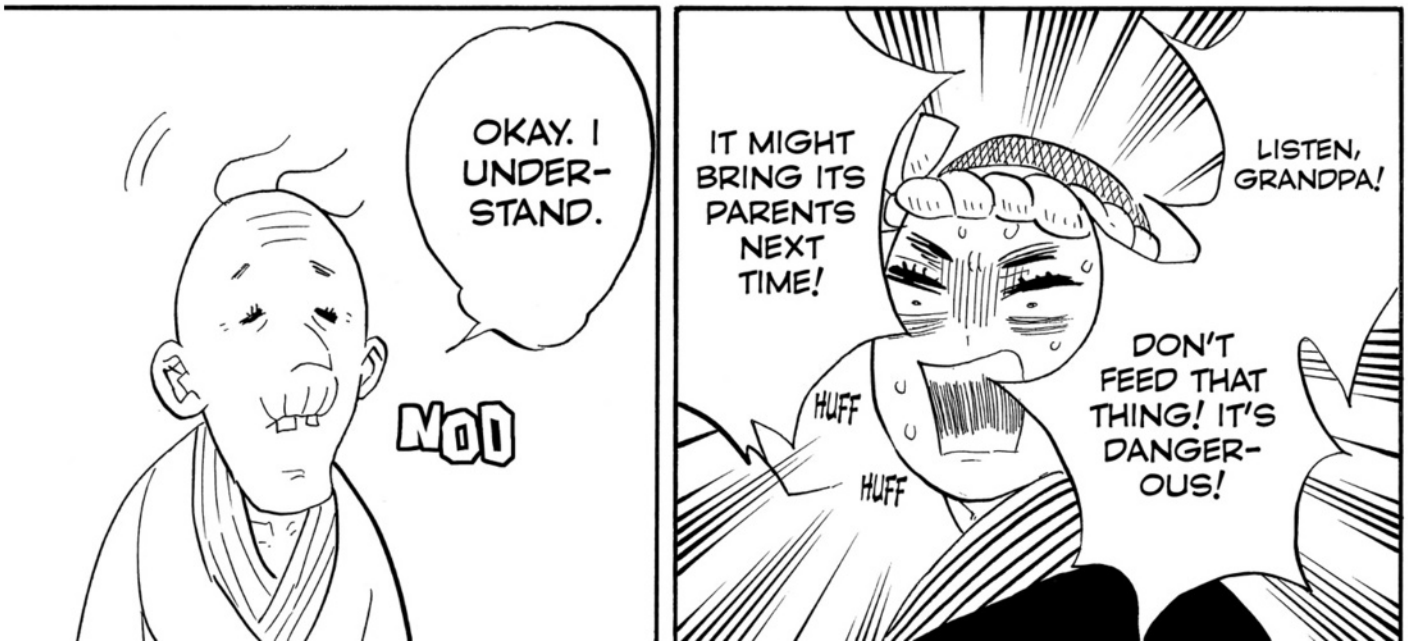
IF A CHILD ...
I AM KING OF THE MOUNTAIN!
...DOESN'T LEARN ANY LANGUAGE BY A CERTAIN AGE, IT BECOMES DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO PICK IT UP LATER.
BUT WE KNOW THAT INOSUKE IS QUITE FLUENT.
WHY IS THAT?


Wants a bride.
HE WAS A GOOD, HARD-WORKING LAD WHO LIVED WITH HIS BELOVED GRAND-FATHER.
HIS LIFE WAS DULL AND REPETITIVE, BUT ONE DAY...
IT'S BECAUSE OF THIS YOUNG MAN: TAKAHARU.
Lucky ears.

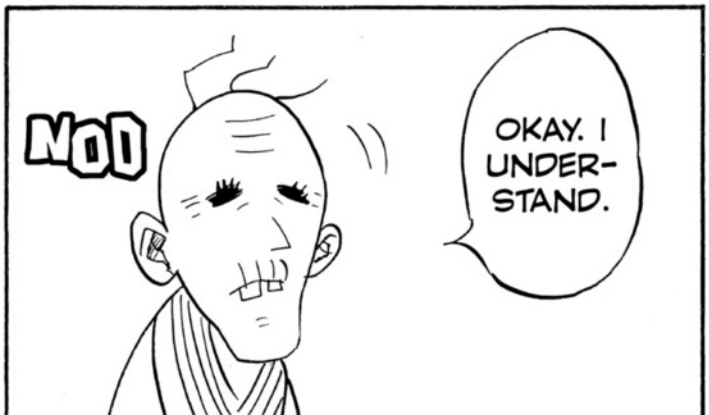

... HE RETURNED HOME AND HIS GRAND-FATHER WAS FEED-ING A STRANGE ANIMAL.
TOSS
SNUFF
SNORT


ARE YOU GOING SENILE?!
GRANDPA! DON'T FEED STRANGE ANIMALS, YOU OLD COOT!
TAKAHARU LOVED HIS GRAND-FATHER.

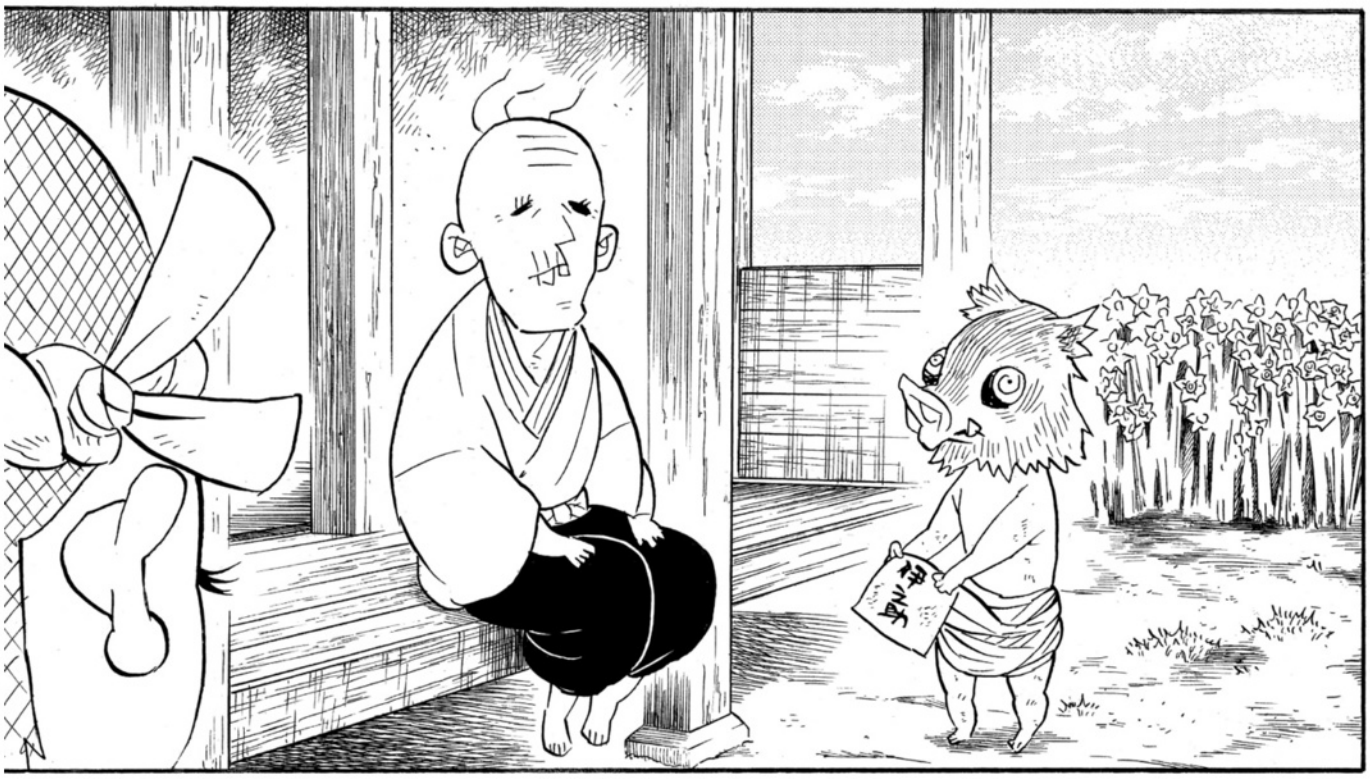
...HE TOOK CARE OF THE OLD MAN AS BEST HE COULD.
FWSH
SHOO!
SHOO!
SHOO!
OINK!
GO BACK TO THE MOUN-TAIN!
HIS GRAND-FATHER WAS STARTING TO FOR-GET ALL SORTS OF THINGS.
BUT TAKAHARU WAS RAISED POORLY, SO HE WAS VERY RUDE.

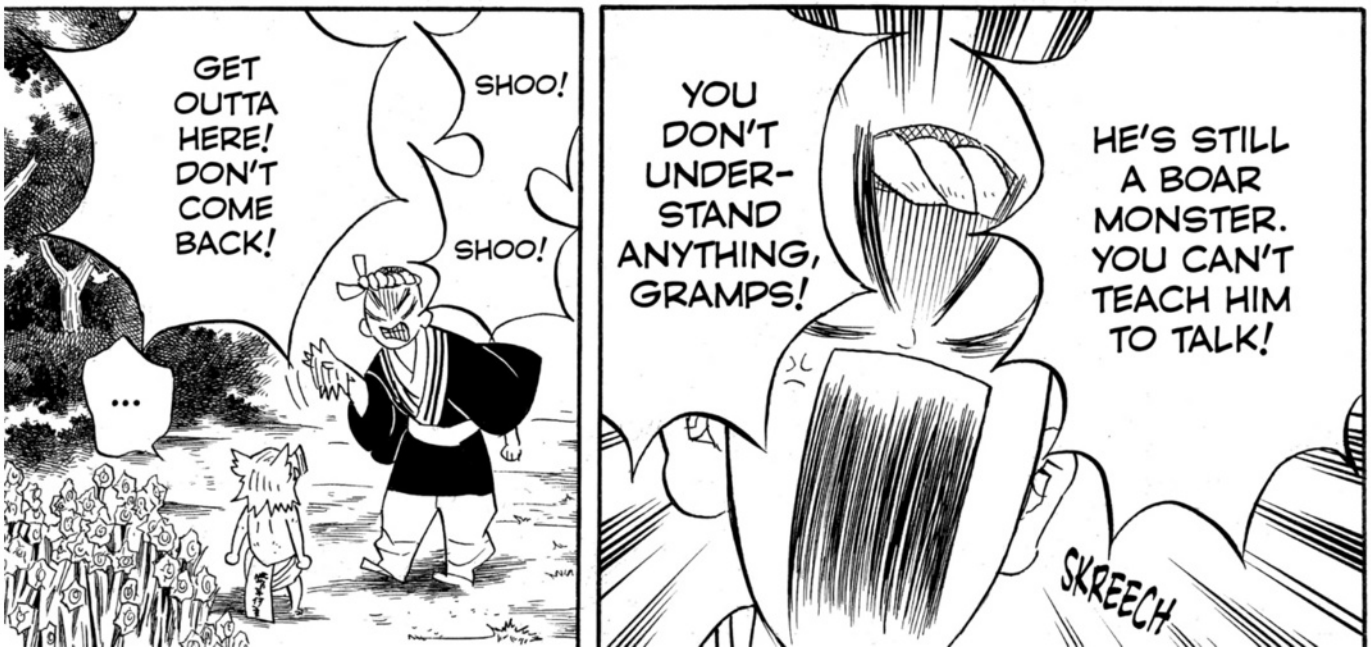

OKAY. I UNDER-STAND.
NOD
IT MIGHT BRING ITS PARENTS NEXT TIME!
LISTEN, GRANDPA!
DON'T FEED THAT THING! IT'S DANGER-OUS!
HUFF
HUFF

*A BOOK OF CLASSICAL JAPANESE POETRY



IT SAYS, "INOSUKE HASHIBIRA."
嘴平伊之助
I RECKON THAT'S YOUR NAME. YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER GAVE IT TO YOU, SO BEAR IT WELL.




GET OUTTA HERE! DON'T COME BACK!
SHOO!
SHOO!
...
YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND ANYTHING, GRAMPS!
HE'S STILL A BOAR MONSTER. YOU CAN'T TEACH HIM TO TALK!
SKREECH

PYOK
SHOO, SHOO! YOU TALK TOO MUCH!
YOU DIMWIT!
SHUT UP, BOY! GO GET ME SOME CRACKERS! THIS IS MY YARD NOW!
GYAAAH! THE MONSTER TALKED!
TRMBL TRMBL
BWA HA HA HA!
CRUNCH MUNCH
AND THAT'S HOW INOSUKE LEARNED TO SPEAK... APPARENTLY.
THE END